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Higher & Degree Apprenticeships

Learning Outcomes

- By the end of the session, you will be able to...
- Understand what a higher or degree apprenticeship is
- Explain the difference between the apprenticeship and university route
- Better understand how to become a higher or degree apprentice

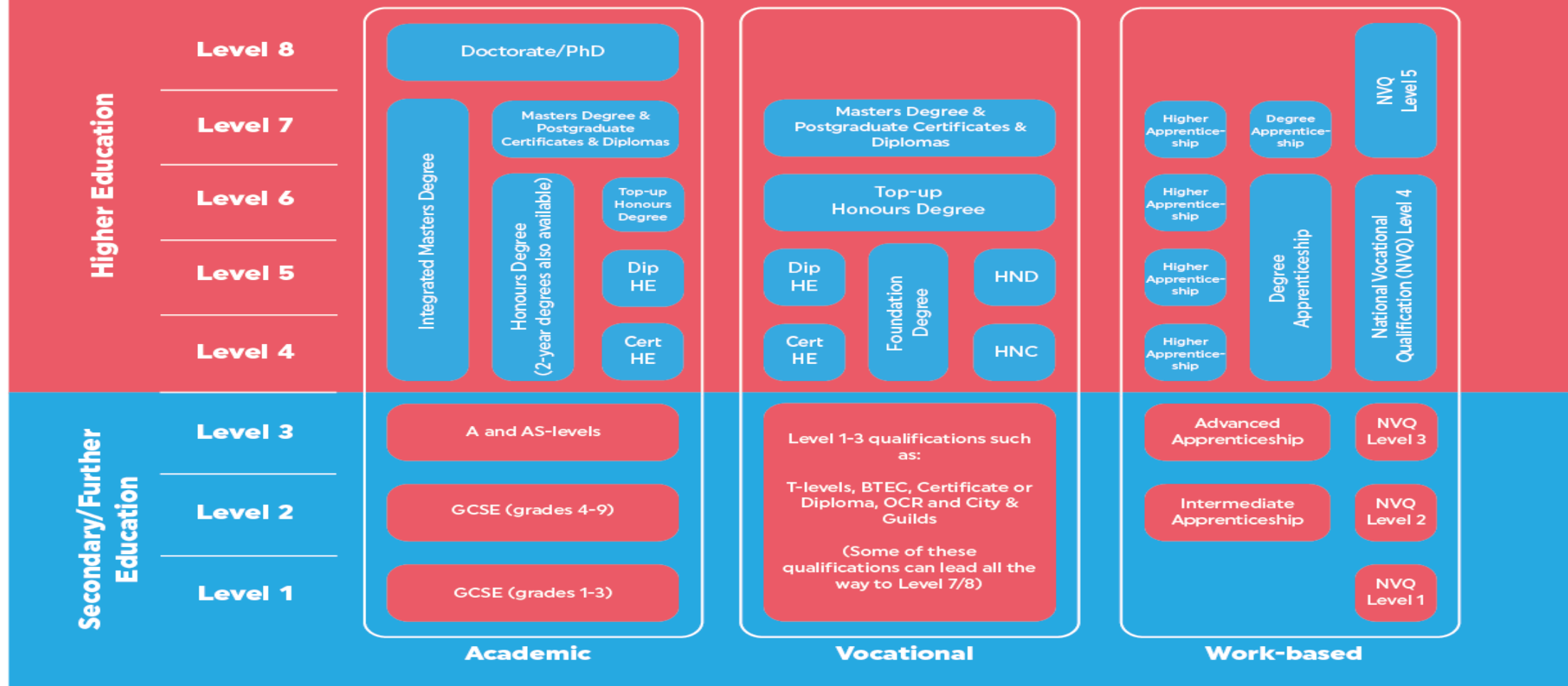




Apprenticeships - Workbased

- You will need to get a job
- You will have a contract of employment for at least 30 hours per week.
- You earn a wage whilst gaining skills and qualifications
- 80% in the workplace and 20% in the classroom
- Assessment is ongoing and will take place both in the workplace and in the classroom.

QUALIFICATION CHART



"I am getting paid to study and work and come out with a degree and no debt."

"If you get an interview do your research on the company. Its competitive"

"The challenge has been fitting in college assignments around work."

"My apprentice buddy is a 2nd year apprentice, she supports me. There are lots of people to go to for help and guidance."

"I have picked things up as a hands-on learner and that's the style I enjoy."

"I have worked in different areas of the business and found my interests and the path I want to follow."



"I had good grades, but I never liked the idea of going to uni, I wanted to work."

Examples of Sectors & Industries Offering Apprenticeships

- Creative, media, arts, and digital technologies – advanced, higher, degree
- Information and communication technology – advanced, higher, degree
- TV production and broadcasting – advanced, higher, degree
- Business management, administration, law, and financial services – advanced, higher, degree
- Construction, planning, and the built environment – advanced, higher, degree
- Engineering and manufacturing – advanced, higher, degree
- Health and care – advanced, higher, degree
- Life and industrial sciences – higher, degree
- Retail and commercial enterprise – advanced, higher
- Agriculture, horticulture, and animal care – advanced, higher
- Public sector/public services – advanced, higher
- Education and training – advanced
- Leisure, travel, and tourism – advanced



HIGHER & DEGREE APPRENTICESHIPS VACANCY LISTING

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UCS Apprenticeships

L5 Nursing Associate	L4 Construction Design & Build Technician
L6 Registered Nurse	L4 Construction Quantity Surveying Technician
L5 Practitioner in Adult Care	L4 Construction Site Engineering Technician
L4 Leader in Adult Care	L4 Construction Site Supervisor
L5 Healthcare Assistant Practitioner	L4 Engineering Manufacturing Technician
L5 Leadership and Management Adult Social Care	L6 Degree Nuclear Engineer
L4 Sports Coach	L4 Countryside Ranger

What's the difference?

Undergraduate Degree	Higher / Degree Apprenticeship
Access to up to £9,535 per year tuition fee loan	All training is paid for by the government and the company you work for
Gain a level 6 qualification	Gain a level 4-7 qualification
Usually full-time study (some part-time options are available)	A minimum of 20% protected study time during contracted work hours
Apply through UCAS	Apply through employer
Unpaid (with access to bursaries, scholarships, grants and loans for additional support with costs)	Paid
Get the 'university experience'	Go straight into the world of work
Learn in lectures, seminars, group and independent study	Learn on the job

The Benefits

- Earn while you learn
- Gain nationally recognised qualifications
- All the benefits of being a paid employee, including paid holidays
- Gain soft skills that employers want
- Avoid tuition fees and student loans
- Supported by a dedicated tutor
- More workplace experience than other pathways

Things to Consider

- You must have secured a job/employer to start an apprenticeship
- Lower pay than a standard job sometimes
- Number of apprenticeships available varies by location
- Apprenticeships advertised on a rolling basis when vacancies become available
- Apprenticeships are competitive because anyone can apply, including existing employees
- Will not have the 'university experience' that many people value
- No access to student financial support

Apprenticeship to do list

- Use **UCAS**, **ASK** or **GOV.UK** to find an apprenticeship.
- Find and research companies who offer apprenticeships.
- Keep informed when apprenticeships are released.
- Ask for advice and guidance on writing a cover letter and CV.