

Level 3 International Foundation Diploma for Higher Education Studies

The Level 3 International Foundation Diploma for Higher Education Studies is a six to nine-month pre-university qualification accredited by NCC Education, a leading UK awarding organisation in IT and Business. It includes a significant degree of English language learning.

Many UK universities recognise the Level 3 International Diploma for Higher Education Studies as an entry qualification to BA, BSc or BEng degree courses.

The course aims to improve students' general and academic English language ability, enhance their skills and cultural understanding and introduce them to academic study in English in the fields of business and economics or physics and further mathematics prior to studying at a university. It also helps them adjust to a full-time academic programme in a small and friendly international environment prior to study at university.

Who is this course suitable for?

Students who are looking to progress their academic studies to gain entrance to a university.

What are the benefits?

- On successful completion of the Level 3 International Foundation Diploma for Higher Education Studies at CESC, students can study BA, BSc or BEng degrees in diverse areas including*
 - Business, Management, Human Resources, Marketing, Accounting and Finance
 - Business and Law
 - Human Resource Management
 - Hospitality and Event Management
 - Engineering

Some universities also accept this route for entry on:

- IT, Computer Science, Games Technology, Web Development
- Learn about English culture, gain English language skills and confidence and familiarise yourself with an academic study programme
- Significantly improve your English language skills with like-minded people
- Study in an independent training centre in a small-mid sized University town
- Option to stay with a Homestay Provider to help improve your English further.

*This list is not inclusive. A full list of UK universities and their courses can be found at the [NCC Education website](http://www.ncceducation.co.uk).

About this course:

Class size: 4-14

Course length: 37 weeks**
(September start)
20 weeks**
(January start - Intensive)

**not including any resits or the optional IELTS preparation module which may extend the length of the course

Start dates: September 2017
January 2018

Minimum Level: September start:
4.5 IELTS required
January start:
5.5 IELTS required

Course Fees: Please contact us

- Guaranteed placement at 3 UK Universities (Bangor University, Birmingham City University and University Centre Croydon)
- Provides an entry route to degree courses at many other UK universities
- Develops English language and academic English skills
- Includes modules on business, accounting and economics

MODULES AND ASSESSMENT

To complete the qualification you must study and pass eight units. Assessments for all modules will be offered in a number of assessment cycles throughout the year. The modules are all assessed by either examination or coursework assignments.

Developing English Language Skills

(For September start only) Develops your English language skills to enable you to communicate effectively beyond simple everyday contexts. It aims to improve all four of your skills of reading, writing, listening and speaking and will enable you to acquire a broad range of knowledge which you can use to confidently and effectively communicate in English. The module guides you through Intermediate and Upper Intermediate levels of English language study.

Advanced English Language Skills

Enables you to put into practice the language you have acquired and develop your English at a higher level. You will make extensive use of the four skills of speaking, reading, listening and writing, as well as extending your knowledge of complex grammar and advanced vocabulary.

English for Academic Purposes

Develops your understanding and use of the key linguistic skills necessary to engage effectively in an academic environment where you are being taught in English.

Study and Communication Skills

Equips you with the essential study skills needed to succeed at university level. You will learn the basic skills necessary to conduct independent research, write academic papers, give formal oral presentations and apply what has been taught during lectures to your studies.

Culture Studies

Enables you to gain awareness and increased understanding of other cultures. You will learn about various features of a foreign country and its culture, with particular focus on student life and studying abroad.

Foundation Mathematics

Builds upon your existing knowledge in the areas of mathematics whilst introducing new topics appropriate across a range of academic disciplines and for your future career.

Further Mathematics

Provides you with an understanding of different mathematical concepts and ideas, building on the work covered in the Foundation Mathematics unit. It will allow you to develop further algebraic techniques on a broad range of mathematical topics, building towards areas often seen and used in university courses.

Physics

Equips you with a fundamental background of the principles of physics. The unit focuses on Newton's mechanics, electrostatics and electrodynamics. The principles of thermal physics and magnetism are also introduced.

Introduction to Business

Provides you with an introduction to the purpose, types and organisation of businesses. You will also become familiar with a range of business concepts such as basic marketing principles.

Introduction to Accounting and Economics

Introduces you to the key principles of accounting and economics. You will become accustomed to concepts such as market structures and monetary policy and also learn how to produce simple financial statements.

(Optional) IELTS Preparation Module

This is an optional 2-week IELTS course you can add at the end of your Foundation programme. If you do this course you join one of our regular IELTS classes. There is an additional fee for doing this course which is the same as two weeks of our regular IELTS preparation course (please see our Pricing information).

RECOGNITION

Please refer to the [NCC website](#) for the complete list of universities that recognise the Level 3 International Foundation Diploma for Higher Education Studies and the different BA and BSc degree courses you can study. Please also check with the university concerned about the specific degree you wish to apply for.



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