

Computing/IT Pearson Level 1 Diploma

Study Mode: Full Time

Is this course right for me?

If you want to develop a basic understanding of how computers, networks software and business IT skills are used in industry, this course will provide you with the foundation you are looking for. The course is a taster to the broad range of computing topics covered in the higher levels qualifications.

This BTEC qualification is designed to provide practical, work-related learning. The course will provide you with the knowledge, understanding and skills you need to prepare for employment in a business / IT environment and work in a variety of specialisms in the industry.

You will learn by completing projects and assignments that are based on realistic workplace situations and will develop a range of skills to prepare you for the world of work, enable you to add value to business activities in an organisation. You will also develop an understanding for the role and uses of different aspects of computing, and gain some of the foundation level skills needed to support further development of programming, complex software operation and network creation and support.

Entry Requirements

For external applicants:

To access this course, you are required to:

- GCSE English and maths at grade 1 or above
- An interest in computing, a commitment to learning and determination to succeed
- Demonstrate how you have previously had good attendance and punctuality and a good attitude to learning

For internal progression learners (already studying with us):

Learners must be able to demonstrate that they:

- Have successfully completed a relevant course that naturally progresses onto this programme, achieving a good standard
- Have improved their English and maths grades since enrolment
- Have maintained good attendance and punctuality
- Show a consistently positive attitude to learning

What will I learn?

During this course you will study the following modules:

- Being organised
- Developing a personal progression plan
- Working with others
- Researching a topic
- Developing digital information using IT
- Solving technical IT problems
- Creating a spreadsheet to solve problems
- Developing a computer programme
- Developing a digital product
- Creating a digital animated graph

What skills will I gain?

By studying this course you will:

- Learn about different local businesses and how they operate
- Produce a CV and personal action plan
- Find out how to start a new business and marketing the product or service being offered.
- Gain valuable team working and communication skills by taking part in team events
- Develop your confidence in presentations

How will I be assessed?

This is an assignment- based course so there are no exams

You will be continually assessed throughout the programme through assignments, practical activities and observations carried out by tutors

What can I do next?

The skills you will learn on this course will enable you to:

- Pursue a career in an office environment, using ICT within the workplace
- Find employment as an ICT apprentice
- Progress to the Level 2 Diploma in IT*

*To progress to Level 2 you will need to gain a distinction in the Level 1 qualification and also have a minimum of grade 3 GCSE in maths and English

Delivery

Location: City Learning Quarter

Start Date: 07/09/2026

Day:

Time:

Course Fee:

Course Code: CP0066

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