

Level	Academic qualifications	Applied or technical qualifications	Apprenticeships	Into the workplace
Eng, Scot Wal, NI	Offered by universities	Offered by a range of providers including universities and colleges. These are generally available up to level 5 (or 8 in Scotland).	A job that involves 20% formal learning through a college, university or other provider. In some apprenticeships you will also gain a formal qualification; check with the provider for details.	
8 12	PhD			
7 11	Masters Degree Integrated Masters Degree		Masters level apprenticeship	
6 9/10	Bachelors / Honours Degree	It is often possible to progress to a bachelors degree or degree apprenticeship.	Degree apprenticeship These may incorporate a BSc.	With qualifications at these levels you can enter technical and applied roles as well as more research-focused and other graduate or postgraduate level roles.
5 8	DipHE (exit from degree)	Foundation Degree HND	Higher apprenticeship These may incorporate a qualification such as a Foundation Degree, HND , HNC.	
4 7	CertHE (exit from degree)	HNC		With qualifications at these levels you can enter applied and technical roles such as chemical technician and technician scientists, as well as more specialised roles.
3 6	Eg A-levels, Scottish Highers, International Baccalaureate From these qualifications you can generally enter any higher education options, though entry to some providers can depend on your grades.	Eg Applied Science BTEC or other applied general qualification, Science T-level, Laboratory skills SVQ From these qualifications you can generally enter applied or technical higher education options and apprenticeships. You may also be able to enter some academic degrees directly. Your exact options are likely to depend on your grades.	Advanced or Foundation apprenticeship These may incorporate a qualification such as an applied science BTEC.	With qualifications at this level you can enter roles such as laboratory technician. You may be able to gain more qualifications while you are working.

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