

# LEVEL 2 CERTIFICATE IN YOUTH WORK PRACTICE

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## Who is it for?

The qualification is aimed at anyone interested in working with young people in a youth work setting or becoming a youth and community worker.

You will need to be involved in youth work, either paid or voluntary to complete the qualification and will need to have some relevant knowledge and skills, usually obtained from a role where you've been supervised.

## What is the structure?

You must achieve a minimum of 23 credits; 17 from four mandatory units and a further six from the 16 optional units. The mandatory units are:

- Safeguarding young people in a youth work setting
- Support the provision of information and advice to young people
- Understanding youth work principles and practice
- Youth work principles, knowledge and skills in work based practice

## Where will it take me?

You can take additional optional units as professional development including:

- Playwork
- Children's and young people's workforce qualifications
- Learning and development/advice guidance

The qualification will also enable you to progress to a Level 3 Diploma and would help you to progress in a wide range of youth work roles, either part time or full time, paid or for the voluntary sector.

## How is it delivered?

You will be assigned a personal assessor – an experienced practitioner who is there to help and guide you. You will build up evidence to of what you know, and what you can do: this will be stored in a web based e-portfolio, which you and your assessor can access at any time.

You will develop your knowledge through studying a mixture of printed and online resources and attending webinars: your assessor will test your knowledge by setting you a variety of tasks. Your assessor will also visit you at work to carry out and record observations of your practice.

## How long does it take?

There is no fixed time – it depends on how committed you are and how easily we can carry out observations. Nine months to a year is typical but, if you are doing this qualification as part of an apprenticeship, please note that there is a minimum duration of one year.

## What funding is available?

If you are employed for at least 16 hours per week and are able to achieve functional skills at Level 1 in maths and English, we can deliver your qualification free through an apprenticeship. If you prefer, you can take GCSE maths and English as an alternative to functional skills.

If you are unemployed and receiving state benefits, or if you are aged under 24 and don't already have any qualification at Level 2 or above (including 5 grade C GCSEs), the qualification can also be delivered free of charge – although you will need to have a work placement which allows us sufficient time, over a period, to observe you at work.

In other circumstances we will have to charge but we can generally access part funding for learners under 24 or those employed in small businesses.