

Degree Apprenticeships

Maths and English Entry Requirements

GCSE or equivalent

In order to study a Degree Apprenticeship programme, you will typically need to have evidence of English and Maths qualifications - each apprenticeship standard has specific requirements. You will typically need evidence of level 2 English and Maths – this is an apprenticeship requirement not just a university requirement. You will need to achieve a minimum of Grade 4 or Grade C in both subjects and you must be able to supply certificates upon application to the university.

For those who have not achieved GCSE English and Maths at C or above (or equivalent) or if you are unable to request copies of certificates for whatever reason, you will need to provide evidence that the qualification is an equivalent level to the minimum requirement/s such as level 2 Functional Skills - English and Maths.

Overseas qualifications will be acceptable where there is clear evidence, from NARIC (via a certificate/statement of comparability) that the qualification is an equivalent level to the minimum requirements for English and Maths (A* to C). Further information can be found on the NARIC website.

Certificates

Evidence of qualifications needs to be in the form of original examining body or certified statement of results from the examining body if the certificate is not available. School or college produced statements are not acceptable.

Requesting certificates

We appreciate that not everyone will have copies of their certificates to hand, you can claim certificates by following the instructions on the link below:

www.gov.uk/replacement-exam-certificate

Level 2 equivalent qualifications

The Apprenticeship Certificates England (ACE) is the governing body for apprenticeship completion certificates and has a clear set of acceptable equivalents for GCSE qualifications. Please check your qualifications against the list below.

Qualification	Level/Grade Criteria	Acceptable	Unacceptable
English			
Functional Skills – English	Min'm L2	✓	
GCSE English either with or without Enhanced Functional Content (EFC) at any tier - including the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> English Literature International GCSEs (iGCSEs) Short courses Pilot courses Double Awards (minimum grade acceptable CD) GCSE English Language GCSE English Studies GCSE English Communication NOT acceptable is English as a Second Language.	Min'm Grade 4 or Min'm Grade C	✓	
Key Skills Communication NB: Key Skills awarded by the Northern Ireland Council for the Curriculum, Examinations and Assessment and the Welsh Awarding Organisation WJEC are also acceptable	Min'm L2	✓	
AVAS Level English, English Language, English Literature or English Language and Literature	Min'm Grade E	✓	
O Level English, English Language, English Literature or English Language and Literature	Min'm Grade C	✓	
British Sign Language (where British Sign Language is the Apprentice's primary language)	Min'm L2 Or Min'm SCQF 5	✓	
Essential Skills Wales or Northern Ireland in Essential Communication Skills	Min'm L2	✓	
Scottish Intermediate 2 in English	Min'm Grade C	✓	
Scottish National 5 in English	Min'm Grade D	✓	
Scottish Standard Grade Credit in English	Min'm Grade 3	✓	
GCSE English as a Second Language			X
GNVQs			X
Qualifications exclusive to Scotland, Northern Ireland or Wales not specifically listed within SASE such as Core Skills Also any qualifications that are nation specific to other countries			X

Qualification	Level/Grade Criteria	Acceptable	Unacceptable
English			
GCSE Double Awards (where the achieved grade is DD or less)			X
Access to Higher Education Diplomas			X
Adult Literacy Certificates			X
FE Access Programmes in Literacy			X
Baccalaureate Certificates			X
Any other English qualifications not specifically listed in SASE			X
Essential Skills Wales or Northern Ireland in Essential Communication Skills			X
Any qualifications described as “ equivalent ” to GCSEs, A or AS Levels but not listed in SASE			X
Maths			
Functional Skills – Maths	Min’m L2	✓	
GCSE Maths either with or without Enhanced Functional Content (EFC) at any tier - including the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International GCSEs (iGCSEs) • Short courses • Pilot courses • Double Awards (minimum acceptable CD) • GCSE Linear Maths, Modular Maths • GCSE Application of Maths* • GCSE Methods in Mathematics* • GCSE Additional Maths • GCSE Use of Mathematics *These 2 qualifications can also be achieved as a “Linked Pair” and this is also acceptable	Min’m Grade 4 or Min’m Grade C	✓	
Key Skills Application of Number NB: Key Skills awarded by the Northern Ireland Council for the Curriculum, Examinations and Assessment and the Welsh Awarding Organisation WJEC are also acceptable	Min’m L2	✓	
AVAS Level Maths, Pure Maths, Further Maths, Use of Maths	Min’m Grade E	✓	
O Level Maths	Min’m Grade C	✓	
Essential Skills Wales or Northern Ireland in Essential Application of Number Skills	Min’m L2	✓	
Scottish Intermediate 2 in Mathematics	Min’m Grade C	✓	
Scottish National 5 in Mathematics	Min’m Grade D	✓	
Scottish Standard Grade Credit in Mathematics	Min’m Grade 3	✓	
GNVQs			X
Qualifications exclusive to Scotland, Northern Ireland or Wales not specifically listed within SASE such as Core Skills Also any qualifications that are nation specific to other countries			X
GCSE Double Awards (where the achieved grade is DD or less)			X
Access to Higher Education Diplomas			X
FE Access Programmes in Numeracy			X
Adult Numeracy Certificates			X
Baccalaureate Certificates			X
Any other Maths qualifications not specifically listed in SASE			X
Any qualifications described as “ equivalent ” to GCSEs, A or AS Levels but not listed in SASE			X

This information is taken from the Apprenticeship Certification England (ACE) website and gives you a broad overview of the entry requirements and equivalents for Maths and English. All content is correct as of November 2018 but can be subject to change. For the most up to date information, please visit www.acecerts.co.uk/web

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