

Access to Higher Education Diploma FAQs

What is an Access to Higher Education Diploma?

The Access to HE Diploma is designed for learners who don't have the traditional qualifications to meet Higher Education requirements. Access to HE courses provide a good foundation in the knowledge and skills required for studying at university level.

Is the Access to HE Diploma included in the UCAS Tariff?

Yes, Access to HE is included in the UCAS Tariff table.

How long does the course take?

Access to HE courses can be delivered from 6 months to 2 years.

How much time do Access to HE students spend studying?

Typically, students undertaking the Diploma within one academic year will spend around 12 hours per week.

What does the Access to Higher Education course involve?

The whole package of units is designed to equip students for university level study in that subject or subject area. The detail of course content on individual courses depends on the subject of the Diploma, but all courses:

- require study of relevant academic subject(s) at university entry level
- give students the opportunity to learn how to approach study at university level and develop techniques to help them to be successful students.

How does it the Access to Higher Education Diploma equate to A-Levels/BTEC?

The Access to HE Diploma is a full Level 3 qualification. Study on the Access to HE Diploma meets academic demands that are at an equivalent level to those of other Level 3 qualifications.

What are the most common subjects studied by students with an Access to HE Diploma?

The top 5 subjects studied in H.E. by Access to HE students are: Subjects allied to Medicine, Social Studies including Social Work, Business and Administration, the Sciences and Education and Training with 47% of Access to H.E. students being over 25 years old.

Where can I study an Access to Higher Education Diploma?

Most local further education colleges will offer Access courses and be able to give you more information.

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