

# Level 3 Certificate Information

## Level 3 Certificate in Youth Work Practice

This qualification embraces the National Occupational Standards for youth work. It supports the skills and knowledge learners need to become a competent Youth Support Worker. If learners have undertaken the Level 2 Award in Youth Work Principles, the 11 credits achieved from this qualification can be transferred and counted towards the 27 credits which are required for the Level 3 Certificate. This course requires 27 credits. The remaining 16 credits are from units across the qualification structure.

## Who is this course for?

This qualification is designed for people who are already working in a youth work environment (public, voluntary or private sector, paid or unpaid) and who deliver operational youth work; undertake duties on their own initiative and who may carry supervisory responsibility for small projects. Learners with these responsibilities will receive leadership and operational guidance from professionally qualified youth workers. The Level 3 Certificate is suitable for those who are 16 plus and have some experience of youth work and want an access route to a qualification.

## Minimum requirements

- 6 months' experience of working with young people in a voluntary or paid role.
- Learner age is 16 plus.
- Learners will need to be working, face to face, with young people (minimum 2 sessions a week), been working with young people for a minimum of 6 months and have a good degree of support and supervision.
- Learners must have access to a working environment.

#### Credits and units

The following 9 units will be covered:

Units	Level	CreditValue
Theory of Youth Work	2	4
Safeguarding in a youth work setting	2	3
Young people's development	2	2
Engaging and Communicating with Young People	2	2
Anti-Discriminatory Practice	3	3
Reflective Practice in a Youth Work Setting	2	2
Work-based Practice in Youth Work	3	6
Group Work within a Youth Work Setting	3	4
Working with Behaviour That Challenges in Youth Work Settings	3	2

<sup>\*</sup>Please note Young People's Development units is a self-study unit only. PowerPoints / supporting notes will all be provided through the online learning platform for learners to study in their own time in order to complete their assessment.

## Learning hours

- This course consists of 9 units.
- Total credit value is 28.
- Total qualification time is 270 hours.
- This course can be completed within 9 months.



# By the end of the course, learners will:

- The values, core principles and current policies relating to youth work.
- Intervention strategies in youth work settings.
- The principles, knowledge and skills needed for work-based practice.

# **Progression route**

Learners will be certificated for all units and qualifications that are achieved. Learners who achieve this qualification may wish to complete additional units to achieve the Level 3 Diploma in Youth Work Practice.