

# Science T-Level



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# The T-Level

## A Levels

Mainly provider based. Minimal work experience

Full time education: no pay

Focus on specific subject content

Awarding organisation outcomes

Prepare students for higher education

Predominantly knowledge based

## T Levels

Classroom 80%, workplace 20%  
(Industry Placement)

Employers: Choose whether to pay  
or not

Broader course content, students  
specialise later

Based on the same employer -  
designed standards

Can lead to employment, higher  
level apprenticeships or higher  
education

Combination of knowledge, skills  
and behaviours

# Developed with Employers

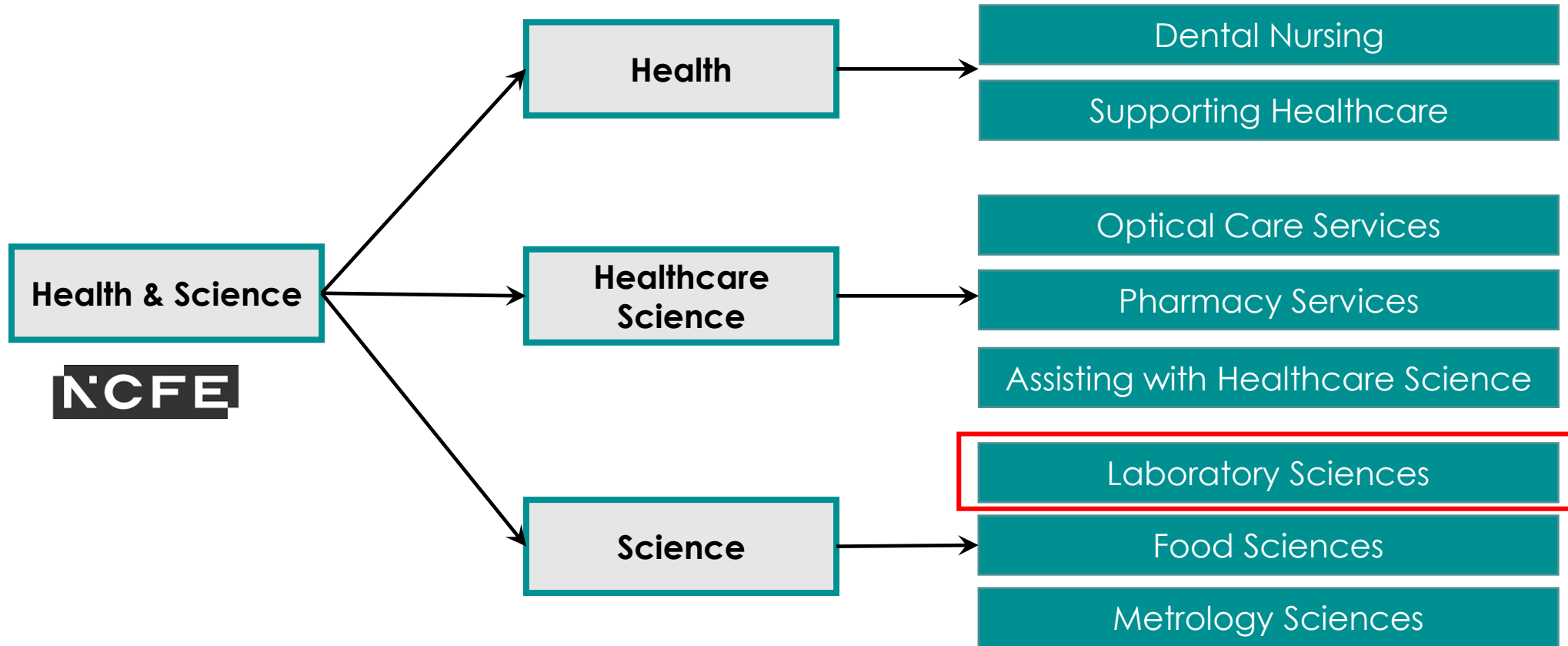
Manufacturing Technology Centre  
Cambridge Academy for Science and Tech  
2 Sisters Food Group  
GSK  
Oxford NanoSystems Ltd  
AstraZeneca Group  
Royal Society of Chemistry  
Royal Marsden NHS Foundation Trust



# Route

# T-Level

# Occupational Specialisms



2 year course, equivalent to 3 A-Levels

The **T-Level** is split into two parts (known as components)

### **Core component - Year 1**

1. Paper A: The Health and Science Sector
2. Paper B: Science concepts
3. Employer set project

### **Occupational specialist component - Year 2**

Three externally set assignments organised around performance outcomes

**Industry placement with employers (9 weeks/45 days)**

## Paper A: The Health and Science Sector

10 sub-topics in total, A1-A10 covering these themes:

- Ethics within the science sector
- Scientific and clinical practices
  - Scientific methodology
- Experimental equipment and techniques
  - Data handling and processing

## Paper B: Science concepts

### Biology

- Cell and tissues
- Classification of biological molecules
- Exchange and transport
- Genetics
- Microbiology and immunology

### Chemistry

- Material and chemical properties
- Acids/Bases and chemical change
- Kinetic change
- Chemical analysis

### Physics

- Electricity
- Magnetism and electromagnetism
- Fluid and viscosity
- Particles and radiation

# Core component - Year 1 Detail

## Paper B: Science concepts

## OCR Chemistry A-Level

### K1.19 How to apply the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC) rules to name the following organic compounds:

- straight chain alkanes and cycloalkanes:
  - methane, ethane, propane, butane, cyclopropane and cyclobutane
- straight chain alkenes:
  - ethene, propene, butene and pentene
- alcohols:
  - methanol, ethanol, propan-1-ol, propan-2-ol and butan-1-ol, butan-2-ol
- carboxylic acids:
  - methanoic acid, ethanoic acid, propanoic acid and butanoic acid
- aldehydes and ketones:
  - ethanal, propanal, propanone and butanone
- amines:
  - ethylamine and propylamine

### Naming and representing the formulae of organic compounds

- (a) application of IUPAC rules of nomenclature for systematically naming organic compounds

Nomenclature will be limited to the functional groups within this specification.  
E.g.  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$  has the systematic name: 2-methylbutan-1-ol.  
Learners will be expected to know the names of the first ten members of the alkanes homologous series and their corresponding alkyl groups.

### K1.25 How to calculate free energy change to link enthalpy and entropy:

- using the Gibbs equation ( $\Delta G = \Delta H - T \Delta S$  system)

### Free energy

- (d) explanation that the feasibility of a process depends upon the entropy change and temperature in the system,  $T\Delta S$ , and the enthalpy change of the system,  $\Delta H$
- (e) explanation, and related calculations, of the free energy change,  $\Delta G$ , as:  $\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S$  (the Gibbs' equation) and that a process is feasible when  $\Delta G$  has a negative value

### K1.23 How to use standard electrode potentials to determine the direction of electron flow in electrochemical cells:

- electrode that is relatively more negative (oxidation half-cell) will release electrons more readily and electrons will flow from this electrode

### Electrode potentials

- (f) use of the term *standard electrode (redox) potential*,  $E^\ominus$ , including its measurement using a hydrogen electrode
- (g) the techniques and procedures used for the measurement of cell potentials of:
- metals or non-metals in contact with their ions in aqueous solution
  - ions of the same element in different oxidation states in contact with a Pt electrode



## Work placement- 9 weeks



**Imperial College Healthcare**  
NHS Trust

Work placements have been secured with:

- NHS Imperial college healthcare trust
- Veterinary practices
- Pharmacies
- Private labs

These opportunities put them in strong position to secure employment as well as degree apprenticeships, giving students the opportunity to 'earn while they learn'.



### Leslie Brent Laboratory

- Put in to practice key skills developed as part of the T level
  - Centrifuging samples
  - Use of digital pipettes
  - Use of LIMS systems
- Learn from industry professionals
- Develop soft skills sort after by all employers
  - Team work/communication skills
  - Time management and reliability
  - Problem solving and decision making
- Make necessary connections to potentially further your career.

# Work placement- Skills for the workplace

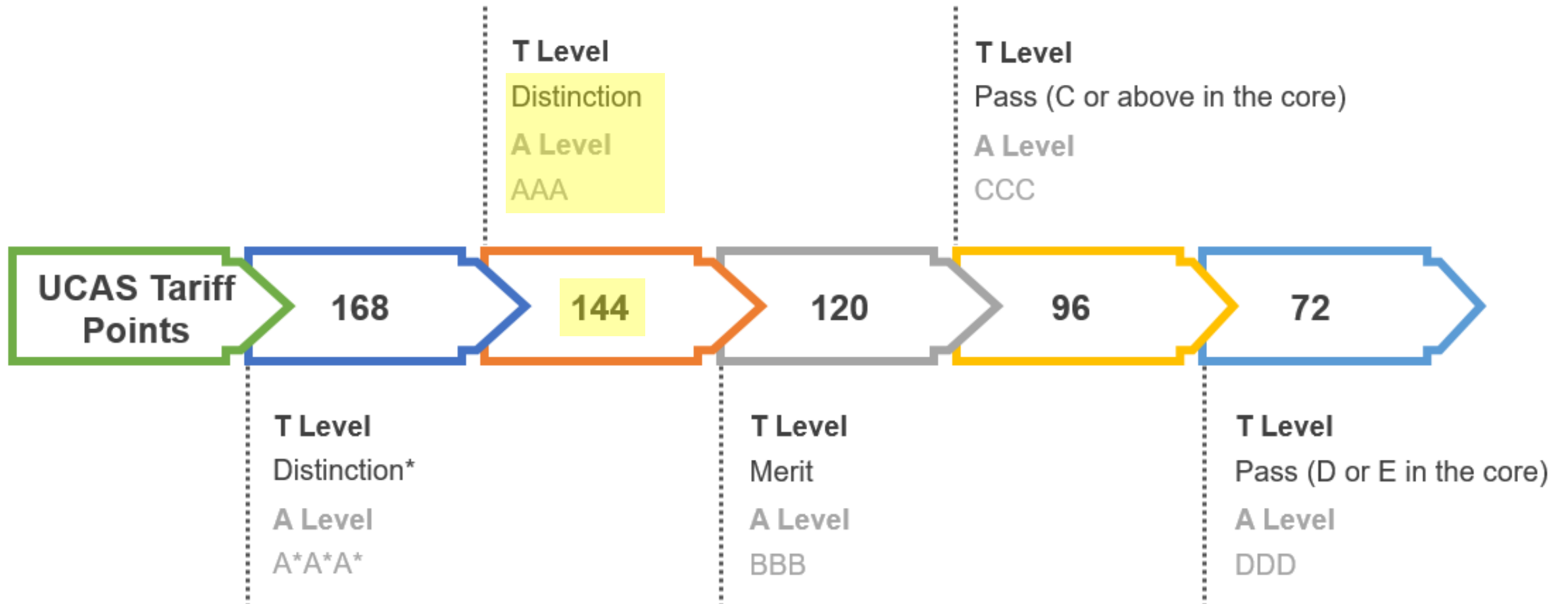


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# Calculation of the T-Level Qualification Grade

		Occupational Specialism Grade (Year 2 assignments)		
Core Component Grade (Year 1 exams and ESP)		Distinction	Merit	Pass
	A*	Distinction*	Distinction	Distinction
	A	Distinction	Distinction	Merit
	B	Distinction	Merit	Merit
	C	Distinction	Merit	Pass
	D	Merit	Merit	Pass
	E	Merit	Pass	Pass



### Destinations:

- Over 125+ higher education providers have confirmed T-Levels are suitable for entry, 80+ universities including Russell Group
  - Degree level apprenticeships
  - Employment

# Destinations, a Case Study- York university

## Archaeology

- [BA Archaeology](#)
- [BSc Archaeology](#)
- [BA Historical Archaeology](#)
- [BA Archaeology and Heritage](#)

## Education

- [BA Education](#)

## Electronic Engineering

- [BEng Electronic](#)
- [BEng Music Tech](#)

## Environment and Geography

- [BSc Environment, Economics and](#)
- [MEnv Environment, Economics and](#)
- [BSc Environment, Economics and placement year](#)
- [MEnv Environment, Economics and placement year](#)
- [BSc Environmental Science](#)
- [MEnv Environmental Science](#)
- [BSc Environmental Science \(with a placement year\)](#)
- [MEnv Environmental Science \(with a placement year\)](#)

## Health Sciences

- [BSc Nursing \(Adult\)](#)
- [BSc Nursing \(Child\)](#)
- [BSc Nursing \(Mental Health\)](#)
- [MNurs Nursing \(Adult\)](#)
- [MNurs Nursing \(Child\)](#)
- [MNurs Nursing \(Mental Health\)](#)
- [BMid Midwifery](#)
- [MMid Midwifery](#)

## Law

- [LLB Law](#)

## Physics

- [BSc Physics \(with a foundation year\)](#)

**UCAS code**  
B762

**Institution code**  
Y50

**Length**  
3 years full-time

**Typical offer**  
BBB ([full entry requirements](#))

**Start date**  
September 2024 ([semester dates](#))

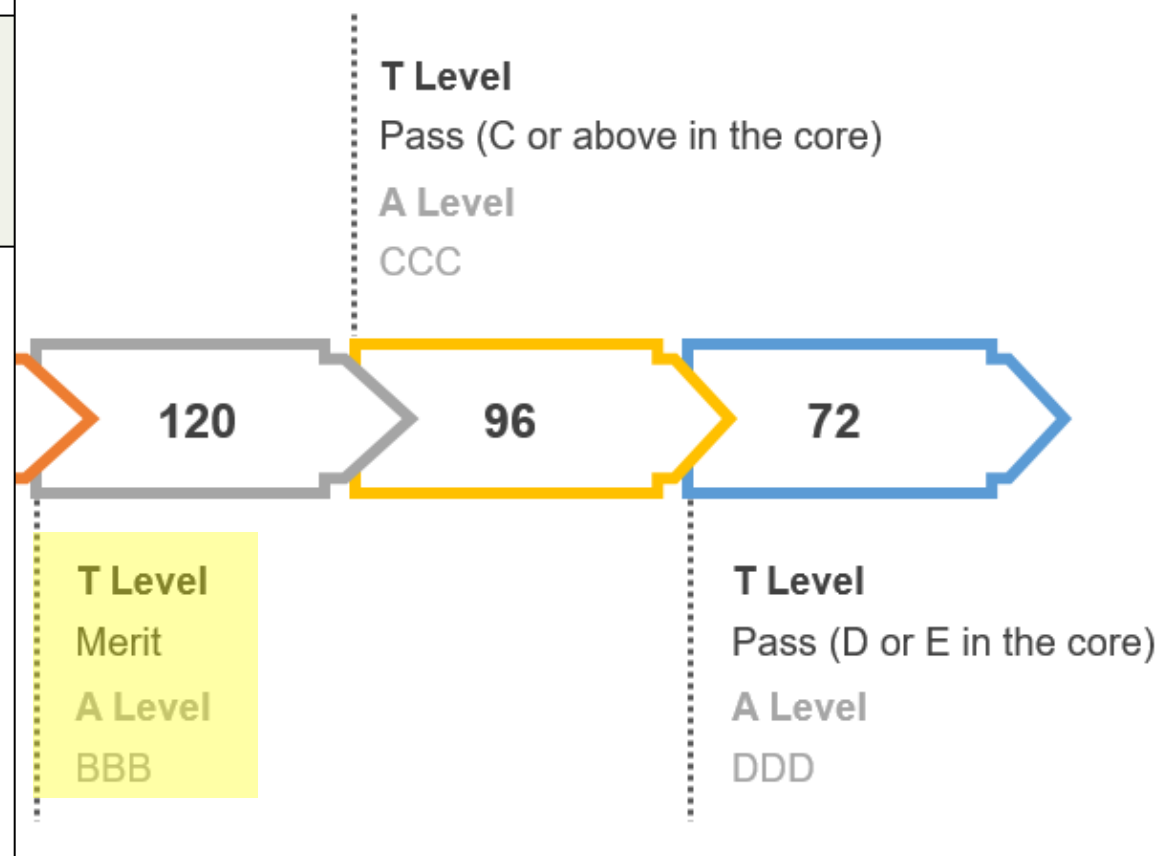
**Department**  
[Department of Health Sciences](#)

[Apply for this course](#)

**UK (home) fees**  
£9,250 per year

**International and EU fees**  
£28,800 per year

**1<sup>st</sup>** for 'Teaching on my course' in mental health nursing  
of universities included in the National Student Survey 2023



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# Degree apprenticeship



**Gain a degree  
from a prestigious  
institution**



**Gain valuable  
workplace skills  
with an employer**



**Make  
connections and  
earn promotions**



**Earn a good  
salary without  
paying for your  
degree, leaving  
you without any  
student debt.**

# Degree apprenticeship



## Biomedical Scientist ( apprentice )

Sonic Healthcare UK

 London

Apprenticeship level	Salary
England - Degree	£24,000.00
Apprenticeship - Level 6	



## Environmental Practitioner Degree Apprenticeship

Department For Environment, Food And Rural Affairs (Defra) Group

 Bodmin, Exeter, Sir John Moore House, Victoria Square, Bodmin, Cornwall, PL31 1EB

Apprenticeship level	Salary
England - Degree	£27,245.00
Apprenticeship - Level 6	



## Biomedical Scientist Apprentice

Sonic Healthcare UK

 Salford

Apprenticeship level	Salary
England - Degree	£22,000.00
Apprenticeship - Level 6	

# Course entry requirements

To Secure a place you will need the following:

8 GCSEs at Grade 5 or above, including Maths and English

A Grade 6 in Science (Triple Science: 665 and Combined Science: 66)

# Useful links

<https://tlevelinfo.org.uk/>

<https://www.tlevels.gov.uk/students/parents>

<https://www.ncfe.org.uk/technical-education/t-levels/parents-and-learners/>