



SUPPORTING TEACHING & LEARNING IN SCHOOLS

Course Mode	Part-time
Location	Milnthorpe Road Campus (MRC)
Duration	34 Weeks
Level	2



Course Overview

The QCF Level 2 BTEC Certificate in Supporting Teaching and Learning in Schools (QCF) is a combined knowledge and practice qualification for those support staff roles that directly support teaching and learning for example teaching assistants or learning support assistants.

The QCF Level 2 Certificate offers an engaging programme for those who want to work in a support role in schools (primary, secondary or special schools).

For adult learners the Level 2 Certificate can extend their knowledge and understanding of work in a particular sector. It is a suitable qualification for those wishing to change career or move into a particular area of employment following a career break.

Learning Styles

The course will help you learn by encouraging you to develop knowledge and understanding through a variety of methods, in particular group discussion. You will also have an individual assessor to support you in compiling your portfolio.

The Certificate is a 30-credit qualification that consists of nine mandatory units plus optional units that provide for a combined total of 30 credits (24 credits mandatory and 6 credits optional units).

Mandatory Units include:

- Child and young person development
- Safeguarding the welfare of children and young people
- Communication and professional relationships with children, young people and adults

- Maintain and support relationships with children and young people
- Support children and young people's positive behaviour
- Support learning activities

You will have a range of optional units to select from which include: Prepare and Maintain Learning Environments; Provide Displays in Schools; Provide Support for Therapy Sessions or Support Assessment for Learning.

Assessment is based on what you can do. You will be asked to show that you are competent in real situations. You will need to perform consistently over time and in a variety of situations. You will be assessed in your workplace or placement and via your portfolio of evidence compiled during the course.

A qualified vocational assessor will assess you in your working environment to help provide ongoing support to compile your portfolio of evidence

Entry Requirements

You will need an interest and on-going experience of working with children. Acceptance on the course is subject to a successful interview, when you will undertake a brief initial assessment to ensure the level of programme is appropriate for you. Edexcel Level 2 Award in Supporting Teaching and Learning in Schools (QCF) is also available if this is more suitable for you.

You will also need to be working or on placement each week at a suitable setting. The time requirement for this is individual to each student with a recommendation of a minimum of 1.5 days.

You will also need a current DBS check.

All students interested in this course should contact the course tutor, Diane Fryer, prior to enrolment:

Email: Diane.Fryer@kendal.ac.uk

After your course

You will be qualified to gain employment in a school or may progress onto a level 3 programme.

Fees

£1099.00

Course fees are per year. The current fee information is related to the 2019/20 academic year and is subject to change before the start of the course. Fees for 2020/21 will be updated in the Spring Term. There may also be additional costs associated with the course.

This course is funded by the government and may be free if you are:

- Aged 16-18 on 31/08/19
- Aged 19-23 on an Entry Level or Level 1 course with intent to progress to a Level 2 course
- Aged 19-23 on your first full Level 2 or Level 3 course

- Aged 19-23 on your first Level 4 course (if you haven't already got a Level 3 qualification)
- Aged 19+ on Functions Skills or GCSE English or Maths
- Unemployed and in receipt of JSA/ESA(WRAG)/Universal Credit or another eligible state benefit on an Entry Level, Level 1 or Level 2 course
- Member of a low income household & in financial hardship on an Entry Level, Level 1 or Level 2 course