Overview

The Level 4 Diploma in Computing (L4DC) is the first year of the NCC Education degree journey. The qualification is equivalent to the first year of a Computing degree qualification in the UK university system.

Students develop essential thinking and study skills, not only within the computing domain, but also within the context of business through a balance of academic and vocational subjects.

The qualification will allow students to understand and enter the computing profession with the necessary knowledge expected within the industry and the ability to apply the skills to a range of IT-related functions.

Entry Requirements

For entry onto the NCC Education L4DC course, students must have at least one of the following:

- NCC Education Level 3 International Foundation Diploma for Higher Education Studies (L3IFDHES)
  OR
- NCC Education Level 3 Diploma in Computing (L3DC)
  OR
- An international qualification which is deemed to be of a similar level to the NCC Education L3IFDHES. This shall be agreed with NCC Education in advance
  OR
- One GCE ‘A’ Level or equivalent, or an appropriate School Leavers’ certificate deemed to be of a similar level

Delivery Method

Face-to-face classes attended at an Accredited Partner Centre

Duration

Full-time: 1 year
Part-time: 2-3 years

8 Units

120 Credits

Diploma completed full-time in one academic year

Assessment

Assessment through examination and coursework assignments

Registration Dates

Registration throughout the year

Guided Learning Hours

540 hours

Total Qualification Time

1,200 hours
If a potential student’s first language is not English, they must also reach the English Language requirements of either:

- International English Language Testing System (IELTS) minimum score of 5.5
- GCE ‘O’ Level English C6

Alternatively, take the free NCC Education Higher English Placement Test, at one of our Accredited Partner Centres.

Mature applicants will be considered for entry if they are able to demonstrate over two years of relevant work experience; AND have a GCE ‘O’ Level / IGCSE English and Maths or equivalent.

Qualification Structure

Eight core units
- Skills for Computing
- Computer Networks
- Computer Systems
- Designing and Developing a Website
- Databases
- Designing and Developing Object-Oriented Computer Programmes
- Software Development Techniques
- Office Solutions Development

WHAT’S NEXT?

On successful completion of the qualification, students may progress onto the NCC Education Level 5 Diploma in Computing (L5DC), which is equivalent to the second year of a UK Bachelor’s degree, transfer to a university or pursue a career in the IT industry.

Please visit our website for more information: [www.nccedu.com/become-a-student/university-progression/](http://www.nccedu.com/become-a-student/university-progression/)

Alternatively contact the NCC Education Customer Service customer.service@nccedu.com or +44 (0)161 438 6200 for advice on articulation options.

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