

Open College Network West Midlands

Qualification purpose statement

Name of qualification	Open College Network West Midlands Level 4 Certificate in Education and Training
Qualification number	601/1893/3
Credits	36
Aim of this qualification	<p>The Open College Network West Midlands Level 4 Certificate in Education and Training will enable you to develop and apply prepares trainee teachers to teach in a wide range of contexts. The level reflects the underpinning knowledge and skills required for these responsibilities.</p> <p>To achieve the Level 4 Certificate in Education and Training you will be required to demonstrate teaching practice as this qualification will assess and provide evidence of competence in teaching and training.</p>
Who this qualification is for	<p>The Open College Network West Midlands Level 4 Certificate in Education and Training is suitable for individuals who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • want a qualification that focuses on practical teaching; • want a wide choice of optional units to reflect the context in which you teach; • are currently teaching and want to have existing experience and practice accredited; • are not currently teaching but can meet the minimum teaching practice requirement of 30 hours; • have the potential to study at this level, which has the same level of demand as the first year of an undergraduate degree; • are willing to undertake an initial assessment of your skills in English, mathematics and ICT, and follow an action plan to address development needs where necessary.
Age restrictions	This qualification is suitable for learners aged 19 and above.
Entry requirements	There are no specific entry requirements, however, all trainee teachers undertaking the Level 4 qualifications are required to undertake an initial assessment of their personal skills in English, mathematics and ICT. They should record their development

	<p>needs and, where appropriate, agree an action plan to address them.</p> <p>Trainee teachers will be required to have knowledge and experience of the subject area they propose to teach.</p>
<p>What you will learn and achieve by doing this qualification</p>	<p>To be awarded the Open College Network West Midlands Level 4 Certificate in Education and Training, the learner must achieve 36 credits. 21 credits must be achieved from Group A and 15 credits from Group B. A minimum of 21 credits must be achieved at Level 4 or above.</p> <p>There is a requirement for a minimum of 30 hours of teaching practice for this qualification. There is no requirement to evidence working with groups of learners to achieve this qualification unless units are undertaken which specify that purpose. However, where trainee teachers are working solely with individuals, a programme may also include support and preparation for working with groups.</p> <p>The qualification requires up to 204 hours of guided learning. Here is a list of some of the units available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessing learners in education and training • Delivering education and training • Planning to meet the needs of learners in education and training • Using resources for education and training • Delivering employability skills • Engage with employers to develop and support learning provision • Managing behaviours in a learning environment. <p>The qualification allows for flexibility and choice through the use of optional units. This means that although most of the units you take would need to be at Level 4, you could choose some Level 3 or 5 units in other areas.</p>
<p>Is this the right qualification for you?</p>	<p>The Open College Network West Midlands Level 4 Certificate in Education and Training is particularly suitable for you if you wish to gain skills and knowledge of teaching principles and practice. It is suitable for those who wish to extend and develop their knowledge and skills if they are already working in teaching. This qualification offers the opportunity to study at Level 4 and prepare to study at a higher level where they can gain further knowledge and the practical skills to prepare them for employment in this sector.</p>

	<p>You should only work towards the Open College Network West Midlands Level 4 Certificate in Education and Training if you are able to complete all of the assessment criteria required to complete this qualification.</p> <p>This qualification is part of a suite of qualifications at different levels and sizes to meet learner needs. If you feel that the level 4 qualification is too advanced for you then you could look at our Level 3 qualification in Education and Training that will allow you to progress your knowledge and skills up to the next level.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="472 725 1362 878"> <thead> <tr> <th>Level</th> <th>Size</th> <th>Credits</th> <th>GLH</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>3</td> <td>Award</td> <td>12</td> <td>48-61</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4</td> <td>Certificate</td> <td>36</td> <td>204</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Level	Size	Credits	GLH	3	Award	12	48-61	4	Certificate	36	204
Level	Size	Credits	GLH										
3	Award	12	48-61										
4	Certificate	36	204										
<p>What this qualification could lead to</p>	<p>Achievement of the Open College Network West Midlands Level 4 Certificate in Education and Training will confirm your competence in teaching.</p> <p>If you are already employed, the qualification will help you to develop new skills to meet the demands of a changing workplace to enhance your CPD.</p> <p>Once you have achieved Open College Network West Midlands Level 4 Certificate in Education and Training, you may progress to a Level 5 Diploma in Education and Training.</p> <p>You may choose to seek employment in teaching or training.</p> <p>Trainee teachers who have achieved the Open College Network West Midlands Level 4 Certificate in Education and Training and who are progressing to HEI-accredited qualifications at Level 5 or above may have their Level 4 credit recognised in line with that HEI's arrangements for the recognition of prior learning.</p>												
<p>Ways to achieve this qualification</p>	<p>For learners who are not eligible for public funding you may be able to take out a learner loan in order to cover the costs of the Open College Network West Midlands Level 3 Diploma in Education and Training. (This is subject to approval from the Skills Funding Agency).</p> <p>Further information is available from colleges and training providers who deliver this qualification. Details of these centres</p>												

	can be obtained from our Business Support Team on 01902624230.
Apprenticeships	This qualification is not part of an apprenticeship framework.
Support	This qualification is supported by LSIS
Further information	More information about this qualification is available on our website here .