

# PUBLIC SERVICES

**THE ROLE OF PUBLIC SERVICE ORGANISATIONS IS CHANGING RAPIDLY. AS A CONSEQUENCE THEY REQUIRE PEOPLE WITH A BROAD RANGE OF SKILLS AND ABILITIES.**

Currently the British armed forces serve in various parts of the world providing not only defence but also humanitarian services.

Other services such as police, fire and ambulance require individuals that are prepared to provide a service and support to the community that they serve. If you are interested in following a career in the public services, check out our courses!



For further information on careers in Public Services visit:  
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## PUBLIC SERVICES

ENTRY TO THE UNIFORMED SERVICES NCFE CERTIFICATE - LEVEL 1

REF: 1876

### WHICH CAMPUS?

Castle View Campus

### WHAT WILL I STUDY?

This course aims to provide you with an opportunity to explore this area of employment in a practical way. You will learn about:

- Investigate Work Opportunities
- Well-being and physical fitness
- Develop Team Working Skills
- Self-discipline and development
- Carry out basic map reading and navigation
- Participate in competitive sports
- Participate in adventurous outdoor activities
- Key Skills in Communication

### HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

You will be assessed through practical activities and assignments.

### WHAT ARE THE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS?

There are no specific entry requirements, but you must complete initial assessment and attend a successful interview.

### HOW LONG?

1 year.

### WHAT NEXT?

BTEC First Diploma in Public Services level 2 on successful completion of Entry Level 1 at merit standard and a pass in Key Skills.

**Career options:** Employment in the Armed Forces.

## PUBLIC SERVICES

BTEC FIRST DIPLOMA - LEVEL 2

REF: 1425

### WHICH CAMPUS?

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### WHAT WILL I STUDY?

This course will prepare you to be successful in any public service, eg the Armed Forces and related organisations. You will find this course both mentally and physically challenging, but rewarding.

You will study:

- The public services
- Public service skills
- Public service fitness

#### 3 specialist topics from:

- Navigating with map & compass
- Expedition skills
- Driving & collision
- Sport & recreation
- Workplace welfare
- The individual & society
- Outdoor activities & the public services
- Law & the individual
- Citizenship
- Crime & its effects
- Community & cultural awareness
- Key Skills in Communication

Additional qualifications will be available; a residential is an integral part of the course.

### HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

You will be assessed by a portfolio of evidence, based on a variety of assessment methods, e.g. practical and written.

### WHAT ARE THE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS?

You should have 2 GCSEs at grade D or above, one of which must be English language. An interest in entering employment in Public Services is also desirable.

### HOW LONG?

1 year.

### WHAT NEXT?

On successful completion of this course you could apply to join the Armed Forces or on reaching 18 ½ years old the Emergency Services. BTEC National Award Level 3 on successful completion of BTEC First Diploma Level 2 at merit standard and a pass in Key Skills.

# PUBLIC SERVICES

BTEC NATIONAL AWARD/CERTIFICATE - LEVEL 3

REF: 1450

## WHICH CAMPUS?

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## WHAT WILL I STUDY?

This course will help you to develop the skills and experience that would be necessary for working in the public services. You will study 6 units in Year 1 for the National Award and 6 units in Year 2 for the National Certificate (3 compulsory units and 3 optional units in each year)

### Core Units:

- Government policies and Public Services (Year 1)
- Team leadership in Public Services (Year 1)
- Citizenship & Contemporary Society in Public Services (Year 1)
- Team Development in Public Services (Year 2)
- Understanding Discipline within the Uniformed Public Services (Year 2).

### You will also study 3 Specialist units chosen from the following in Year 1:

- Team Development in Public Services
- Understanding Discipline within the Uniformed Public Services
- Diversity and the Public Services
- Physical Preparation and Fitness for the Uniformed Services
- International Perspectives for the Uniformed Public Services
- Outdoor and Adventurous Expeditions
- Skills for Land-based Outdoor and Adventurous Activities
- Skills for Water-based Outdoor and Adventurous Activities
- Crime and its effects on society
- Command and Control in the Uniformed Public Services
- The Planning for and Management of major incidents
- Responding to emergency service incidents
- Uniformed Public Services employment.

### You will also study 4 Specialist units in Year 2:

- Diversity and the Public Services
- Physical preparation and fitness for the Uniformed Services
- International perspectives for the Uniformed Public Services
- Outdoor and adventurous expeditions
- Skills for land-based outdoor and adventurous activities
- Skills for water-based outdoor and adventurous activities
- Crime and its effects on Society
- Command and control in the uniformed Public Services
- The planning for and management of major incidents
- Responding to emergency service incidents
- Uniformed Public Services employment
- Understanding the criminal justice system and police powers
- Understanding behaviour in Public Sector employment.

## HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

You will be assessed by a variety of methods including written and practical work.

## WHAT ARE THE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS?

You must have the following qualifications:

5 GCSEs at grade C or above including English and Maths

**AND** BTEC First Diploma Public Services Level 2

**OR** NVQ level 2 or other equivalent qualification(s)

**OR** relevant experience with 5 GCSEs at grade C or above including English.

## HOW LONG?

2 years.

## WHAT NEXT?

Higher Education

**Career options:** Employment in the Police, Fire or Army, Ambulance Service or Prison Service.





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