

Higher Education
Courses (Level 4-6)

2021/22

Ballymena | Ballymoney | Coleraine
Magherafelt | Newtownabbey

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Higher Education at Northern Regional College

At Northern Regional College we offer a range of higher education courses giving you a choice in your learning. Whether you want to jump start your career or progress to university you will find a course to suit you. Qualifications include Higher Level Apprenticeships (HLAs), Foundation Degrees, Higher National Certificates/Diplomas and Degree and much more.



Going directly to university from school can be a big step but the Level 4 Healthcare Practice is good preparation. We had to carry out research and literature reviews as part of the course and I now feel a lot more confident about how I'll cope with the workload at university.



Bethan Millar
HNC in Healthcare Practice



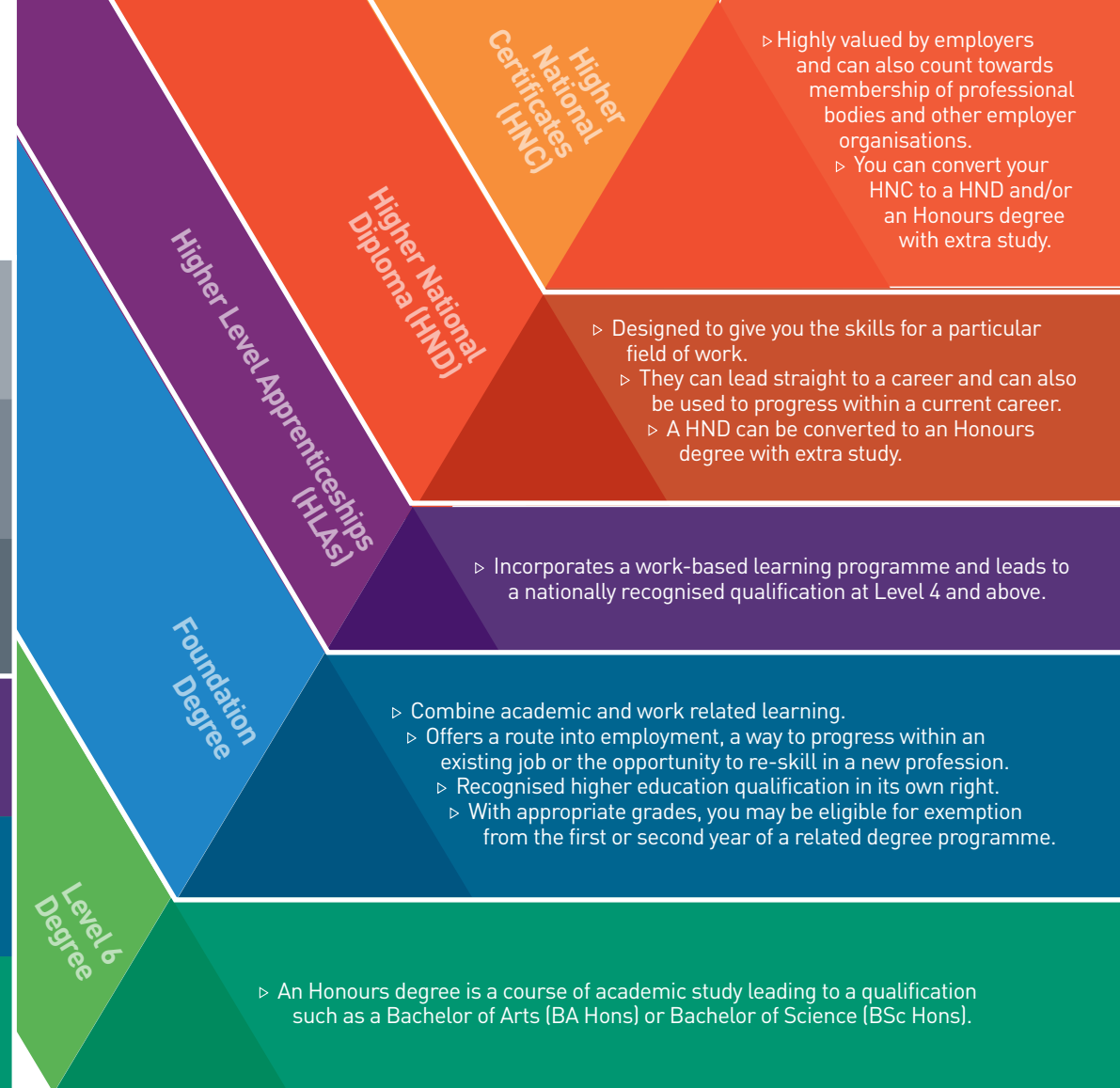
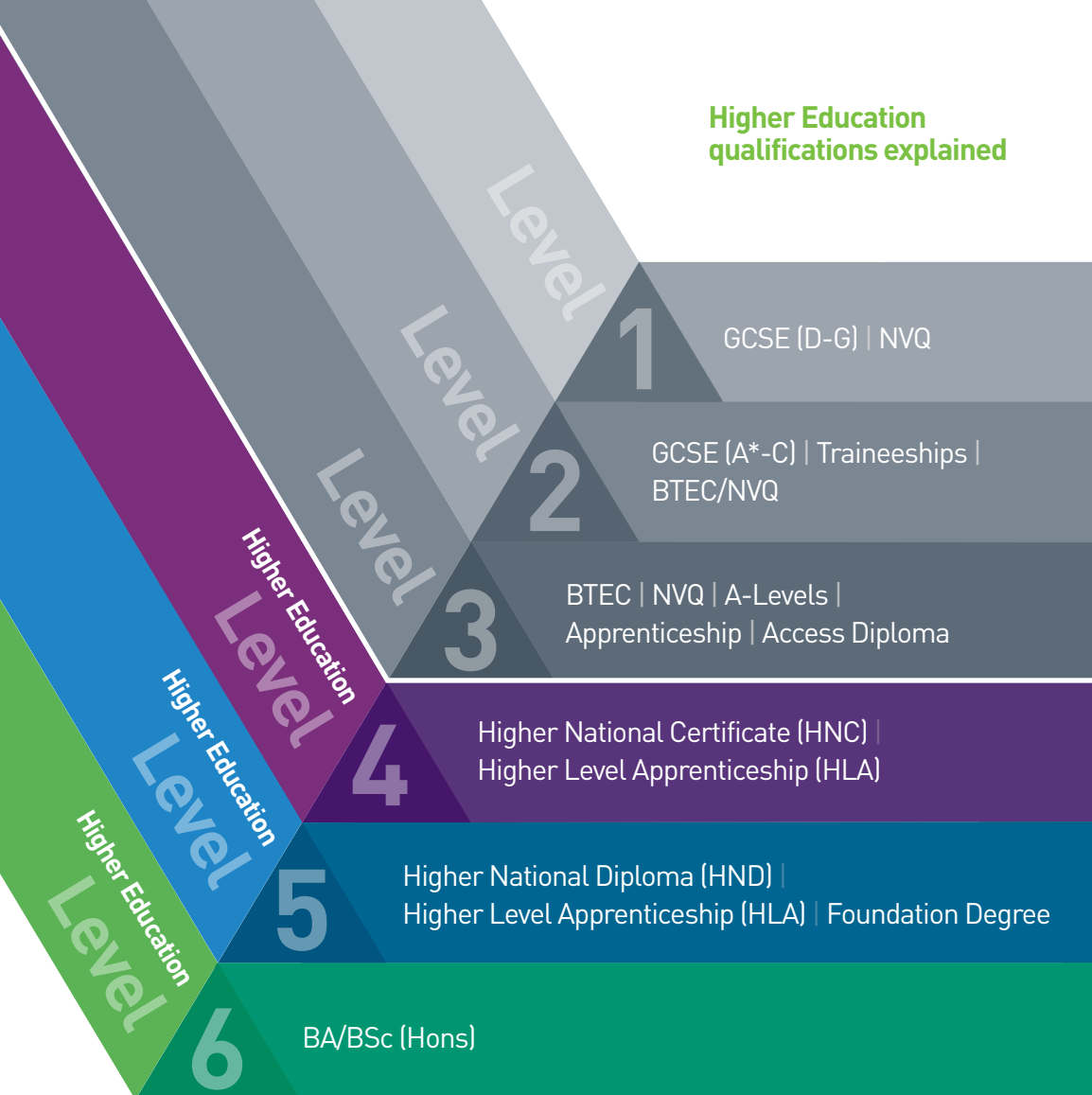
I have no doubt that having the Level 5 Diploma will benefit my career. It certainly helped me get the job I'm currently in.



Natasha Lyttle
Level 5 Diploma in
Leadership in Children Care
Learning and Development



Higher Education qualifications explained





Benefits to studying Higher Education at your local college

Affordability

You can study closer to home to save on travel and accommodation expenses. Annual tuition fees are typically much lower than University – full-time tuition fees for 2021/22 are £2,500 per year. These fees may be subject to change.

Earn while you learn

Foundation Degrees and Higher Level Apprenticeships let you work while you study.

Smaller classes

Links with industry and employers



From a personal view, my improved knowledge has helped my confidence and will help me manage the building maintenance programs more efficiently, saving money on both our own in-house programs and third-party programs. Another bonus is that this course cost a lot less than an Open University degree and is very good value.



Oran O'Kane

**Foundation Degree in Building
Technology & Management**

Courses

Please note due to campus redevelopments at Ballymena (Farm Lodge), Ballymoney and Coleraine courses may be relocated to alternative suitable locations.

Course	Qualification Type/Level	Campus	Duration	
A				
Accountancy	Higher Level Apprenticeship	Coleraine	2 Years	FT
Accountancy	Level 4 Certificate (Accounting Technicians Ireland - ATI)	Ballymena (Trostan Avenue) Coleraine Magherafelt Newtownabbey	1 Year	PT
Adult Care	Level 4 Diploma	Newtownabbey	1 Year	PT
Advanced Automotive Studies	Level 4 Certificate (IMI)	Ballymena (Farm Lodge)	3 Years	PT
Applied and Medical Science	Foundation Degree (Ulster University)	Coleraine Newtownabbey	2 Years	FT
NEW Animal Management (Subject to Approval)	Higher National Diploma	Newtownabbey	2 Years	FT
B				
Business	Level 4 Higher National Certificate	Ballymena (Trostan Avenue) Coleraine	2 Years	PT
Business with Digital Technology	Foundation Degree (Ulster University)	Ballymena (Trostan Avenue) Newtownabbey	2 Years	FT
Business Studies	BSc Honours Degree	Ballymena (Trostan Avenue)	2-3 Years	PT

For full course details and up-to-date information visit www.nrc.ac.uk **PT** Part-time **FT** Full-time

Course	Qualification Type/Level	Campus	Duration	
C				
Children's Care, Learning and Development (Leadership and Management Pathway)	Level 5 Diploma	Ballymoney Newtownabbey	2 Years	PT
Cisco Certified Network Associate		Ballymena (Farm Lodge)	1 Year	PT
Cognitive Behavioural Therapeutic Skills and Theory	Level 5 Diploma (CPCAB)	Ballymena (Trostan Avenue)	1 Year	PT
Computing	Level 4 Higher National Certificate	Magherafelt	1 Year	PT
Computing	Foundation Degree (Ulster University)	Ballymena (Farm Lodge) Newtownabbey	2 Years	FT
Computing	Higher Level Apprenticeship	Ballymena (Farm Lodge)	3 Years	FT
Construction (Level 4)	Higher Level Apprenticeship	Ballymena (Farm Lodge)	2 Years	FT
Construction and the Built Environment	Level 4 Higher National Certificate	Ballymena (Farm Lodge)	2 Years	PT
Construction Engineering with Surveying	Foundation Degree (Ulster University)	Ballymena (Farm Lodge) Ballymoney	3 Years	PT
Construction Engineering with Surveying	Higher Level Apprenticeship	Ballymena (Farm Lodge)	3 Years	FT
Counselling Studies	Level 4 Certificate (Ulster University)	Ballymena (Trostan Avenue) Magherafelt	1 Year	PT
Creative Media (Web and App Development Pathway)	Level 5 Higher National Diploma	Coleraine Newtownabbey	2 Years	FT

Course	Qualification Type/Level	Campus	Duration	
E				
Early Childhood Studies*	Foundation Degree (Stranmillis University)	Ballymena (Trostan Avenue) Newtownabbey	2 years	FT
Engineering	Level 4 Higher National Certificate	Newtownabbey	2 Years	PT
Engineering – Advanced Manufacturing Engineering	Higher Level Apprenticeship	Ballymena (Farm Lodge)	3 Years	FT
Engineering - Electrical and Electronic Engineering	Foundation Degree (Ulster University)	Ballymena (Farm Lodge)	2 Years	FT
Engineering - Electrical and Electronic Engineering	Foundation Degree (Ulster University)	Ballymena (Farm Lodge)	3 Years	PT
Engineering – Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering	Foundation Degree (Ulster University)	Ballymena (Farm Lodge)	2 Years	FT
Engineering – Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering	Foundation Degree (Ulster University)	Ballymena (Farm Lodge)	3 Years	PT
H				
Health and Social Care	Foundation Degree (Ulster University)	Ballymena (Trostan Avenue) Newtownabbey	2 Years	FT
Healthcare Practice	Level 4 Higher National Certificate	Ballymena (Trostan Avenue) Magherafelt	2 Years	PT
Healthcare Practice	Level 4 Higher National Certificate (Fast-track)	Newtownabbey	1 Year	PT
Human Resource Management	Level 5 (CIPD)	Ballymena (Trostan Avenue)	1 Year	PT

*Applications for the full-time Foundation Degree in Early Childhood Studies must be submitted through UCAS.

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I				
Integrative Counselling Practice	Foundation Degree (Ulster University)	Ballymena (Lamont Building)	3 Years	PT
L				
Leadership and Management	Level 5 Certificate (ILM)	Ballymena (Trostan Avenue) Newtownabbey	1 Year	PT
Leadership for Health and Social Care Services	Level 5 Diploma	Newtownabbey	2 Years	PT
Logistics and Supply Chain (Subject to Approval)	Higher Level Apprenticeship	Newtownabbey	2.5 Years	FT
O				
Occupational Health and Safety	Level 6 Diploma (NEBOSH)	Newtownabbey	1.5 - 2 Years	PT
P				
Performing Arts	Level 5 Higher National Diploma	Newtownabbey	2 Years	PT
S				
Social and Community Work	Level 4 Higher National Certificate (Fast-track)	Newtownabbey	1 Year	PT
Sports Science, Coaching and Fitness	Foundation Degree (Ulster University)	Coleraine	2 Years	FT
T				
Therapeutic Counselling	Level 4 Diploma (BACP Pilot)	Ballymena (Lamont Building)	2 Years	PT
Therapeutic Counselling Supervision	Level 6 Certificate (CPCAB)	Ballymena (Lamont Building)	1 Year	PT

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Fees and Funding

Full-time tuition fee for 2021/2022 entry is £2,500 per year. These fees may be subject to change. Fees for part-time Higher Education courses are available to view online. Fees may be paid in full or through flexible payments. For full-time courses you may apply to the Student Loans Company for a tuition fee loan for payment of your fees.

Our student finance team are on hand to assist you with any financial matter or to help you apply for grants or awards that are available. Email studentfinance@nrc.ac.uk for further details.

How to Apply

You can apply online at www.nrc.ac.uk for all of our Higher Education courses with the exception of the full-time Foundation Degree in Childhood Studies – for this course only you must apply via UCAS. Your application to the College does not count as one of your UCAS applications.



If you want to work in accountancy the Higher Level Apprenticeship route is the way to go. I worked throughout my studies in a local accountancy firm, gained my qualification without any student debts and recently became a chartered accountant.



Laura Todd
**Higher Level
Apprenticeship
in Accountancy**

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