

# ACCESS TO HIGHER EDUCATION DIPLOMA

Your route to university



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**Do you want to develop your skills or return to learning after a break?  
Are you keen to gain a valuable qualification?  
Would you like to be able to attend classes in the evening?**

**If the answer to any of these is 'yes' then the Access to Higher Education Diploma could be suitable for you. You can study a range of subjects as part of a small group of other adults, either as a valuable stand-alone qualification, your first step towards a degree or just for interest.**

## **What is it?**

The Access to Higher Education Diploma is designed for adults and focuses on coursework and discussion. Helpful tutors, inspiring sessions and regular guidance are designed to help you reach your full potential.

## **What subjects can I take?**

To complete the Diploma, you will take three subject modules. We offer:

- Biology
- Creative Writing
- English Literature
- Politics with Law
- Psychology
- Sociology

## **GCSE Qualifications**

Since many university courses expect applicants to have good grades in GCSEs English and/or Maths, we also run GCSE classes in these subjects to help you to meet university entrance requirements.

## **Where do classes take place?**

Classes take place at two local Kent schools, Chatham Grammar and Herne Bay High School. Some tutorials and additional support sessions are run online so you can easily fit them in around your other commitments.

## **How long does it take to complete?**

The Diploma usually takes two years to complete and runs from September to July with breaks in line with Kent school holidays. In exceptional circumstances, following discussion with the programme manager, you may be able to 'fast-track' and complete all three subjects in one year.

## **How much time will I spend in classes each week?**

Most students take two subjects in year one and one subject in year two, attending one class for each subject every week. Classes last for three hours, starting at 18:00.

## **What can I do when I've got my diploma?**

You will have a qualification that enables you to apply to university to study subjects such as psychology, social work, criminal justice studies, law, or English. In addition, you will have developed skills, such as giving presentations, which are useful in a range of different careers.

### **How much does it cost?**

Since this course is funded by the University of Kent you will not have to pay tuition fees and will not need to apply for student funding. There is a small fee for exam registration and administration. This is currently set at £150 for the two-year course.\*

### **Not sure if you want to take a diploma?**

Find out if Access is for you by coming along to our information and taster sessions.

### **Information and taster sessions**

These sessions will be run in the summer term. For details and to book your place go to [www.kent.ac.uk/accesshe](http://www.kent.ac.uk/accesshe)

### **How do I apply?**

You can submit an application form via [www.kent.ac.uk/accesshe](http://www.kent.ac.uk/accesshe)

Once we have received your application you will be invited to book an informal interview.

### **Contact us**

If you have any queries or would like to speak to a member of the team email [adultlearning@kent.ac.uk](mailto:adultlearning@kent.ac.uk)

\*Fees subject to final confirmation but all applicants will be informed of any change before enrolment. Please note, fees are non-refundable.



# Find out more

For more information on the Access Diploma or our GCSE courses please visit our website at [www.kent.ac.uk/accesshe](http://www.kent.ac.uk/accesshe) , email [adultlearning@kent.ac.uk](mailto:adultlearning@kent.ac.uk) or call 01227 827143

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