

## Have you passed an NVQ Level 3 in any of the following subjects?



- NVQ Level 3 Intermediate (AAT)
- NVQ Level 3 Accounting
- NVQ Level 3 Business and Administration
- NVQ Level 3 Business Improvement Techniques
- NVQ Level 3 Customer Service
- NVQ Level 3 First Line Management
- NVQ Level 3 Management
- NVQ Level 3 Retail

### If so, what next?

You are entitled to a \*guaranteed interview for selected Foundation Degrees (see reverse for listed courses) at the educational providers below.

*\* where an interview is part of the institutional application practice*

Bath Spa University	Norton Radstock College
Gloucestershire College	University of the West of England
Hartpury College	Richard Huish College
Open University South West	Weston College

### The Benefits of Foundation degrees:

- > Foundation degrees are work-based learning courses delivered by colleges and universities working in partnership with employers.
- > They can be studied full-time or part-time with full-time normally taking two years to complete and part-time three years.
- > They enable you to develop new and existing skills and knowledge at levels 4 and 5 to enhance your career prospects.
- > After completing a Foundation degree you may wish to top-up and gain an honours degree (this usually takes about a year).
- > Foundation degree students are entitled to the same financial student support as all other higher education students.

"My confidence has rocketed since I started the Foundation degree in Business at Weston College. I decided to undertake the course because I knew that it would give me the opportunity to study locally but more importantly engage with employers. I have recently completed a two month work placement in which I worked in a managerial position in a local business. This experience has taught me to handle situations more effectively and my problem solving and interpersonal skills have improved significantly. I have found these skills invaluable and they have really helped my professional development. I intend to do the third year to gain an honours degree."

*Craig, currently undertaking FdA Business at Weston College*

"With 18 years of experience in the public sector, 6 years of which were at management level, I decided to undertake a Foundation degree in Management and Management Systems in order to increase my knowledge of the technological, economic and environmental factors influencing the business world today. The course has enhanced my IT and programming skills (I only had knowledge of standard office computer packages prior to starting the course). Importantly, the Foundation degree has prepared me for work in the private sector with strategies on how to get through an economic downturn such as financial accounting and risk management. I hope to progress onto the third year of the BA (Hons) in Business and Management at Bath Spa University after which I plan to obtain a managerial role within the private sector."

*Valerie, currently undertaking FdA Management and Management Systems at Norton Radstock College*

Courses	Higher Education Institution
<b>NVQ Level 3 Intermediate (AAT)</b>	<b>Bath Spa University</b> FdA Management and Management Systems Norton Radstock College 01761 433161 courses@nortcoll.ac.uk
	FdSc Tourism Management Weston College 01934 411411 enquiries@weston.ac.uk
<b>NVQ Level 3 Accounting</b>	<b>Open University South West</b> Fd Business Fd Financial Services Fd Leadership and Management 0845 300 60 90 general_enquiries@open.ac.uk
<b>NVQ Level 3 Business and Administration</b>	<b>University of the West of England</b> FdA Business with Management Weston College 01934 411780 sadie.skellon@weston.ac.uk
<b>NVQ Level 3 Business Improvement Techniques</b>	FdA Business with Management City of Bath College 01225 312191 enquiries@citybathcoll.ac.uk
<b>NVQ Level 3 Customer Service</b>	FdA Business and Management Richard Huish College 01823 320800 enquiries@richuish.ac.uk
<b>NVQ Level 3 First Line Management</b>	FdA Business with Management FdA Business with Marketing Management Gloucestershire College 01452 563384 robert.whitehouse@gloscol.ac.uk
<b>NVQ Level 3 Management</b>	FdA Sports Business Management Hartpury College 01452 702132 enquire@hartpury.ac.uk
<b>NVQ Level 3 Retail</b>	

- Your NVQ Level 3 should normally have been awarded within the last 5 years.
- You will also need to meet any additional course entry requirements such as appropriate professional practice and a Criminal Record Bureau (CRB) check if working with children and young people.
- The admissions department within each receiving institution has the final decision on all matters relating to the admission of students.



Western Vocational Lifelong Learning Network

The Western Vocational Lifelong Learning Network aims to widen participation and facilitate the progression of vocational learners into higher education.

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