IT: Hardware and System Support (SCQF Level 6)

SCQF Level 6 (24 Credit Points)

Why Study a Foundation Apprenticeship?

Studying for a Foundation Apprenticeship gives you the chance to combine work based qualifications such as Scottish Vocational Qualifications (SVQs) or National Certificate (NC) with practical work experience in industry.

Who Can Apply?

The Foundation Apprenticeship (FA) in IT: Hardware and System Support is for pupils staying on at school. You can choose an FA as one of your subjects in S5 or S6.

Entry Requirements

These vary depending on whether you start the Foundation Apprenticeship in S5 or S6. It could range from some subjects at National 5 to 1 or 2 Highers. Check with your school for details.

Course Content

National Progression Award in Professional Computer Fundamentals

- Security Fundamentals
- Network Fundamentals
- Server Administration Fundamentals.

Diploma for IT and Telecommunications Professionals (5 units) (as part of your work placement)

- Personal Effectiveness
- Health and Safety in IT and Telecom
- IT and Telecom System Operation
- Testing IT and Telecom Systems
- Working with IT and Telecoms Hardware and Equipment.

Qualifications Gained

- National Progression Award (NPA) in Professional Computer Fundamentals at SCQF Level 6
- Diploma for IT and Telecommunications Professionals at SCQF Level 6 (5 units only).

Duration

1 - 2 years

What can I go on to next?

- You could move on to a relevant Modern Apprenticeship.

- You could continue your studies at college or university, gaining an HND or degree.
- You could go straight into a job in the IT industry.

How to Apply

To apply for a Foundation Apprenticeship you should complete an application form through your school. You may be required to attend an interview and complete a relevant aptitude test.

Have a look at the apprenticeships.scot website to see what your school offers and to enquire.

Related Career Areas

- Computing and ICT