



ABC Level 3 Diploma in Youth Work

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award London Regional Office is delighted to offer the opportunity for youth support workers across the region to access this nationally recognised Youth Work qualification.

ABC's Vocationally Related Qualifications (VRQs) are accredited onto the National Qualifications Framework (NQF) and The National Youth Agency offers professional recognition of this Level 3 Diploma in Youth Work for Youth Support Workers which is acknowledged as a route into full time professional JNC qualifications.

The qualification aims to improve the service to young people by providing a qualification that embraces national standards for the practice of youth and community work, identifying core competencies, containing knowledge requirements and levels of skill.

Target Group

This qualification is designed for candidates already involved in youth work/youth support work who will have already attained a degree of knowledge and skills provided by the Level 2 programme or its equivalent. Those undertaking the programme may have specialist responsibilities for aspects of a youth work programme, or may manage small teams.

Its purpose is to provide progression to more advanced skills, knowledge and understanding through a range of topics of practical use in various youth work settings. It is appropriate for work with the 11 – 25 age groups, and it is recommended that participants undertake at least 50% of their fieldwork practice with 13-19 year olds.

The ABC Level 3 Diploma in Youth Work is designed for those candidates:

- Wishing to acquire youth work skills to enhance future employment prospects
- Wishing to progress to more advanced study
- Seeking a specialist qualification in addition to their main programme of study
- Already in employment looking for professional development
- Studying for personal development in the wider sense of lifelong learning.

Progression routes

Successful completion of this qualification may allow progressions onto further training or employment. The ABC Level 3 Diploma provides the underpinning knowledge and additionally for access onto Foundation Degree/BA Youth Work programmes leading to professional Youth Work degree qualifications.



Qualification Structure

The ABC Level 3 Diploma in Youth Work is made up of the following mandatory units:

Unit 1	Values and ethics in youth work
Unit 2	Group work in youth work
Unit 3	Youth work and informal education
Unit 4	Planning and delivering youth work
Unit 5	Evaluating and reviewing youth work
Unit 6	Working in organisations and teams
Unit 7	Assessing needs in youth work
Unit 8	Working with partner organisations and communities

Course Delivery

The qualification has been allocated 240 guided learning hours for completion, including at least 120 hours of supervised practice.

The course is delivered over 17 evening sessions plus 7 Saturday sessions from October 08 to July 09. (For full course dates see below). Tutored sessions will be held at London Regional Office, 7-11 St Matthew Street, London, SW1P 2JT

Candidates will be required to attend tutorials by appointment and arrange for regular course specific supervision meetings with work based supervisors/line managers.

Candidate Assessment and Certification

All candidates must compile a portfolio of evidence that shows achievement of all the relevant learning outcomes and knowledge requirements for all units of the qualification.

For the award of a Level 3 Diploma in Youth Work, candidates must successfully complete all 8 units.

Course Application Process

Youth Support Workers wishing to enrol in this course should complete and return the attached application form, no later than **Friday 19th September**, to Matthew Barnett (matthew.barnett@theaward.org).

Upon receipt of the application candidates will be issued with an interview date and time and pre-course work to be completed prior to the interview. Interviews will 30 minutes and held on either Monday 29th or Tuesday 30th September, 9.30am – 5.30pm at the London Regional Office, 7-11 St Matthew Street, London, SW1P 2JT

Successful applicants will be notified of their course place on Wednesday 1st October for the course commencement dates of Tuesday 9th October.



Diversity

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award will endeavor to ensure that through its policies, procedures and actions all candidates entered for assessment are treated fairly and on an equal basis.

Course Costs

The cost of the course is £640.00 inclusive of ABC candidate registration, tutor fees, personal tutor support and certification. Fees are non-refundable. Please identify on the application form where invoices are to be directed. Candidates will only be invoiced for the course fees once their place is confirmed.

Youth Support Workers who are involved in delivery of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award in their Youth Work setting will be offered a 10% discount on course fees. This must be approved and counter signed by the local Award Officer.

Contact information

If you would like to discuss any aspects of the ABC Level 3 Diploma in Youth Work please contact Jo Amand on (jo.amand@theaward.org) or 020 7227 9820.



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Dates 2008-2009

Application and interview

Monday 29th & Tuesday 30th September

Interviews by appointment

Autumn Term

Thursday 9th October

6.30pm – 9.30pm

Thursday 23rd October

6.30pm – 9.30pm

Thursday 6th November

6.30pm – 9.30pm

Thursday 20th November

6.30pm – 9.30pm

Saturday 29th November

9.30am – 5.30pm

Thursday 4th December

Tutorials by appointment

Thursday 11th December

6.30pm – 9.30pm

Spring Term

Thursday 8th January

6.30pm – 9.30pm

Saturday 17th January

9.30am – 5.30pm

Thursday 22nd January

6.30pm – 9.30pm

Thursday 5th February

6.30pm – 9.30pm

Thursday 26th February

6.30pm – 9.30pm

Saturday 28th February

9.30am – 5.30pm

Thursday 12th March

6.30pm – 9.30pm

Saturday 21st March

9.30am – 5.30pm

Thursday 26th March

6.30pm – 9.30pm

Thursday 2nd April

Tutorials by appointment

Summer Term

Thursday 23rd April

6.30pm – 9.30pm

Thursday 7th May

6.30pm – 9.30pm

Saturday 16th May

9.30am – 5.30pm

Thursday 21st May

6.30pm – 9.30pm

Thursday 4th June

6.30pm – 9.30pm

Saturday 13th June

9.30am – 5.30pm

Thursday 18th June

6.30pm – 9.30pm

Thursday 2nd July

Tutorials by appointment

Saturday 11th July

9.30am – 5.30pm

Thursday 16th July

6.30pm – 9.30pm Portfolio deadline



Please fill out the following form *IN FULL* or your application may not be processed

I would like to apply for the Level 2 Certificate / Level 3 Diploma in Youth Work
 (Delete as appropriate)

DATE OF APPLICATION (dd/mm/yy): _____

PLEASE USE BLOCK CAPITALS

Forename		Surname	
Date of Birth		Gender (Male/Female)	

Address		Telephone number	
		Mobile Number	
Email address			

Job Title		Line Manager	
Centre/Project Name		Contact number	

PLEASE OUTLINE ANY SPECIAL LEARNING REQUIREMENTS:
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Please state who & where you would like your invoice for course fees to be forwarded to:

Nb: You will only be invoiced if accepted on the course

Invoice address:

Please complete and return no later than Friday 19th September to:
YOUTHWORK TRAINING - The Duke of Edinburgh's Award
 London Region Office, Ground Floor, 7-11 St Matthew Street, London, SW1P 2JT
 Telephone: 020 7227 9820 Fax: 020 7227 4112 email: Matthew.Barnett@theaward.org