

South West Durham Training

BTEC Higher National Certificate (HNC) in Engineering – Level 4

A Practical Pathway to a Professional Future



What is the HNC in Engineering?

The BTEC Higher National Certificate (HNC) and Higher National Diploma (HND) in Engineering are Level 4 and Level 5 vocational qualifications, respectively. Designed with employability and practical learning in mind, the course offers a broad introduction to engineering, equipping students with key technical knowledge, transferable skills, and real-world problem-solving experience.

The HNC (Level 4) is equivalent to the first year of a UK undergraduate degree.

The HND (Level 5) builds on the HNC and is equivalent to the second year of a university degree.

These programs offer a flexible pathway — allowing students to either enter the workforce as skilled technicians or continue their academic journey toward a full engineering degree.

Who Is This Course For?

Whether you're starting out or upskilling, the HNC offers a flexible, employer-recognised qualification with a strong practical foundation. It's a perfect blend of theory and hands-on experience — ideal for building a solid career in engineering or taking the next step in your academic journey.

Individuals aiming to gain a higher education qualification in engineering

Those working in engineering roles who want to formalise their skills or advance their careers

Students progressing from Level 3 apprenticeships



Why Choose a BTEC HNC/HND in Mechanical Engineering?

- ▶ Industry-recognised qualifications
- ▶ Practical, hands-on learning approach
- ▶ Flexible part-time study options

Career progression:

- ▶ Engineering Technician
- ▶ Manufacturing Technician
- ▶ Assistant Project Manager
- ▶ Quality Control
- ▶ Mechanical Design Engineer
- ▶ Manufacturing Engineer
- ▶ Maintenance Supervisor
- ▶ Engineering Project Lead

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