



ATHE Level 5 Extended Diploma in Computing (NetDevOps Engineer) (2024)

Ofqual Regulated | RQF Level 5 | 120 Credits

Qualification
No.
610/3715/1
Pass | Merit
Distinction

LEVEL
5 (Higher Education)

TOTAL CREDITS
120

DELIVERY
Online / Blended / Campus

FUNDING
PayPal or Klarna Finance

Course Overview

Networks don't run themselves. The ATHE Level 5 Extended Diploma in Computing (NetDevOps Engineer) is built for people who want to specialise in network engineering, DevOps operations, cybersecurity and cloud infrastructure — and who are serious about building a career at the sharp end of IT.

This 120-credit, Ofqual-regulated qualification sits at the same level as the second year of a university degree. It combines core computing management units with specialist technical pathways and finishes with a capstone synoptic project where you apply everything you've learned to a real-world scenario.

All assessments are assignment-based — no exams. Available full-time or part-time. Advanced Learner Loans available for eligible UK students.

Modules & Units

Unit Name	Credits	Status
Computing Projects for Digital Transformation	15 Credits	✓ Mandatory
Professional Development and Business Communication	15 Credits	✓ Mandatory
Innovative Technologies and Connected Devices	15 Credits	✓ Mandatory
Information Systems	15 Credits	✓ Mandatory
Advanced Project	15 Credits	✓ Mandatory
Optional Units — Choose Your Specialism		
Network Developer and IT Operations (NetDevOps)	15 Credits	Optional
Network and Cloud Design and Configuration	15 Credits	Optional
Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking	15 Credits	Optional
Digital Forensics	15 Credits	Optional
Total (5 mandatory + 3 optional units)	120 Credits	

Entry Requirements

Typical Age	18 and above
Academic Qualification	Prior study in computing or related subjects at Level 4 or above — or a Level 4 Diploma/Extended Diploma in Computing. Equivalent international qualifications are considered. Relevant professional IT or networking experience is also considered.
English Language	If English is not your first language: IELTS 5.5 CEFR B2 CAE 162+ PTE Academic 42–49

Progression & Career Outcomes

On completion, you can top up to a full BEng or BSc (Hons) at a UK university — typically in one to two additional years of study. ATHE has formal progression agreements with several UK universities, meaning your qualification is already recognised as a direct route onto their computing and engineering degree programmes.

Typical degree progressions: BSc (Hons) Computer Networks, BEng (Hons) Network Engineering, BSc (Hons) Cybersecurity, BSc (Hons) Cloud Computing, BSc (Hons) Computer Science.

Career pathways include: NetDevOps Engineer, Network Engineer, Cloud Infrastructure Engineer, DevOps Engineer, Cybersecurity Analyst, Digital Forensics Analyst, IT Operations Manager, Network Architect.

Ready to engineer your future?

Enrol now or get in touch — we'll walk you through your options, funding and start dates.

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