



Access to Higher Education - IT & Business

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How will I be assessed?

The Access to Higher Education Diploma is predominantly based upon continuous assessment (coursework). There will be a variety of teaching methods used throughout the course, including individual practical work, small group exercises, on-line research, group presentations, whole-class teaching and peer assessment. You will be supported and encouraged to develop and practice the skills that will enable you to become an independent learner and fully prepare you for Higher Education.

The assessment methodology will take a variety of forms including:

- Essay
- Timed Assessment/End Test
- Presentations (with hand-outs/notes)
- Report
- Micro-Teach
- Case Study
- Independent Research Study

Course content/units

You will study a range of units that make up the overall Diploma. Unit titles include: Business Studies, Business and Finance, Economics, Marketing, Management and Human Resources and IT Application.