

T LEVEL

Technical Qualification in Digital Production, Design and Development

LUKE HILLS Student Case Study



Provider:
Bridgwater and
Taunton College



Location: Somerset



Area type: Town

Luke Hills grew up in Taunton and has always in his own words 'been big' on computers and programming. He is currently studying for a T Level Technical Qualification in Digital Production, Design and Development at Bridgwater and Taunton college. We spoke to Luke in April 2022 about why he chose to study one of the new crop of T Level qualifications and what he hopes to do when he completes his study.

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I chose to study for a T Level because it was a single subject and I knew I wanted to go into computing

Why did you decide to stay on at college and study for a T Level?

I love learning and the process you take to learn new information to make sure you get the best results possible. I took the T Level in Digital Production, Design and Development at Bridgwater and Taunton because it was a single subject that contained a lot of information and I know that computing is something I wanted to go into. I found focusing on studying one thing nowhere near as difficult as doing several subjects and I developed very fast within that one area.

What did you enjoy about the course?

I found programming using different languages really useful. I have found using PHP or JavaScript are the best in terms of developing different websites which in turn has helped me to achieve better grades. I'm currently working on a website which will allow students to access sign-up and login functionality as well as the ability to upload and grade files, whilst being able to study and learn this is all part of a task I have been assigned. ▶



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Did you get work experience as part of your course?

I found work experience through the work experience team in Bridgwater and Taunton college, and I found a job at Carrier Pigeon. They helped me develop many skills including social skills, social media development skills and even business skills.

What career would you like to pursue?

I am hopefully going to university after my studies so I can learn more about computer programming and data science. I would love to work for a software development company or a games company when I am older in the hope that one day I can maybe set up my own business to sell people my software products. I think all of the skills I have learned so far will be great in helping me find a job within the given subject.

How would you sum up your T Level experience?

It's been great! It has been great in helping me develop skills quickly as well as social skills and the ability to work under pressure, although I think balance is important. I love football, the gym and using my PC when I am not in college, and I find these hobbies can calm me down when maybe I am under stress. The course is very structured and my teachers always make sure tasks are completed. I feel as if I have progressed a lot because of this. If you know what area you want to get into and are happy to focus on just one subject area I really recommend the T Level route. ■

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