

Declared Purpose:

The following purpose is for the Level 3 Extended Diploma in Agriculture 0073-03 (QAN no: 500/8490/2). This is a Technical Level Qualification.

This level 3 Extended Diploma in Agriculture is a qualification aimed at providing you with a range of practical skills and knowledge. This will help you to seek employment or progress into further training within the Agricultural Industry.

Who is this qualification for?	<p>It is for someone who works or wants to work within the Agricultural Industry.</p> <p>Recommended Entry Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Level 2 Certificate in Agriculture• Level 2 Extended Certificate in Agriculture• Level 2 Diploma in Agriculture• Previous practical experience within a farming environment
What does the qualification cover?	<p>The learner will need to complete 18 or 19 units (depending on which ones are selected) to successfully gain this qualification.</p> <p>The qualification covers a range of topics. The units that everyone is required to take are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Business Management• Anatomy & Physiology• Plant and Soil Science• Investigative Project• Work Experience <p>There are optional units which allow you to pick areas of interest, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Livestock Production• Agricultural Crop Production• Grassland Management• Livestock Breeding and Nutrition• Farm Habitat Management• Agricultural Crop Handling and Storage• Principles of Inheritance and Genetic Manipulation <p>The period of work experience will allow you to gain first hand experience of working on a farm or a related agricultural</p>

operation.

For all units you will study both practical and theory based aspects. You will learn why you need to do and know certain things.

You will also get the chance to study an area that interests you through the investigative project.

The Extended Diploma is the largest in the suite of Agriculture qualifications, and is broadly equivalent to three A Levels. The qualification is typically delivered as a two-year full-time course at College and is aimed at learners who mainly know which industry they would like to specialise into. It provides a substantial core of knowledge and skills, alongside a wide range of optional units that enables learners to specialise in subjects that really interest them, or are important areas of study for employment in local businesses. Learners may wish to progress to further learning and training or to Higher Education.

The qualification has been developed in conjunction with industry, and with the support of Lantra, the Sector Skills Council for the Land-based Sector.

What opportunities are there for employment or progression after I have finished studying this qualification?

The qualification allows you to progress into employment. You might progress into the following roles:

- Farmer
- Assistant Farm Manager/Farm Manager (Livestock)
- Assistant Farm Manager/Farm Manager (Crops)
- Stockperson/Herdsman
- Technical Advisor/Consultant
- Livestock Technician
- Agricultural Service Engineer
- Unit Manager

You may wish to progress onto an Advanced Apprenticeship in Agriculture, which allows you to combine working on the farm, or in a similar job, and typically attending one day a week at College or with a Training Provider.

You might want to go on to Higher Education. The following Higher Education Institutes recognise that this qualification fulfils the requirements for entry onto a range of HE programmes (in its own right or alongside other Level 3 qualifications):

- Harper Adams University
- Aberystwyth university
- University of Brighton

You can go on to study subjects such as:

Agriculture Foundation Degree
BSc (Hons) Agriculture
Agriculture with Animal Science BSc (Hons) Degree
Agriculture with Business Studies BSc (Hons) Degree
Agriculture with Countryside Management BSc (Hons) Degree

This qualification carries 120 to 420 UCAS points (depending on the grade achieved).

See the following link <http://www.ucas.com/how-it-all-works/explore-your-options/entry-requirements/tariffables>

Further information can be found on our website and within the qualification handbook:

<http://www.cityandguilds.com/Courses-and-Qualifications/land-based-services/agriculture/0073-agriculture/level-3>