



Military Preparation Diploma L3 - PS307

This course is designed to prepare you and point you in the right direction to achieve quality employment in the Royal Navy, Army, Royal Air Force or Royal Marines.

You will be expected to demonstrate a high degree of personal responsibility and motivation throughout this course to a standard expected of military personnel. You will develop your leadership skills and learn to take the initiative and become more proactive in how you manage your work.

COURSE DETAILS

There will be visits to military establishments to give you an insight into the work of the Armed Services. There will be day trips, as well as a number of residential trips lasting anything between one night to four nights away from home. Although the course is practically based you will need to build a portfolio of work to support your course.

You will study 4 mandatory units and 2 optional units:

- Preparing for Employment in the uniformed services
- Physical fitness
- Develop Leadership skills
- Understanding Discipline
- Understanding war and conflict
- Adventurous activities
- Service routine
- Telecommunications in emergency situations

ENTRY GUIDELINES

This is a Study Programme for students who are 16-18 years of age.

To study a Level 3 qualification, you will need:

A minimum of 5 GCSEs at Grades 4-9 including English and/or Maths (or L2 Functional Skills in English and/or Maths)

OR

A relevant Level 2 qualification and English or Maths at Grade 4 or above (or L2 Functional Skills in English and/or Maths)

If English is not your first language, you may need an assessment before enrolling on this course. To discuss further, please contact the ESOL department on 0151 551 7144.

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

To learn effectively on your course you will need to use certain items of equipment and undertake particular activities as part of your studies. To further enhance your learning experience the following will be required:

- Uniform
- Educational Visits

If you need support with these costs, don't worry, click on the link below and complete a bursary application form.

<https://www.wmc.ac.uk/student-support/financial-support/bursaries-loans>

Equipment purchased will be yours to keep and you will be able to use them for practice at home and in your future career.

ASSESSMENT METHOD

Course work. To be discussed at interview.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Military standards of attendance and punctuality are expected. You will be tutored by ex-military personnel who have a wide range of experience, and who will expect a lot of you. You will be expected to take up the opportunity to undertake work experience and/or residential experiences (up to 5 days) across all four services while you are on the course.

Are you aged 16-18?

Study programmes are full-time courses for 16-18 year olds which include:

- A qualification such as BTEC Extended Diploma
- Meaningful work experience or preparation for work
- English and maths, if you don't already have GCSE grade 9-4 (A*-C) in English and maths (Grade 4 or above)
- Non-study activities such as tutorials, voluntary work, fund-raising/charity work, sport or trips

WHERE CAN I PROGRESS TO?

The Diploma is for those students who have completed the Certificate and are not quite ready to enter into the Military. Those who are not quite ready at the end of the Diploma course can progress onto Level 3 Extended Diploma in Military preparation for a further year. All courses carry UCAS points.

Explore potential careers via [— it provides current local data on wages and employment prospects.](#)

WHEN DOES THIS COURSE RUN?

CAMPUS	STARTS	ATTENDANCE	COURSE CODE	PLANNED TIME TABLE
	08th Sep 2025	Full Time	PS307-25	
<p>If you are aged 16-18:</p> <p>This study programme will be FREE for most students who are aged 16-18 on 31 August, or students aged 19-24 with an Education, Health & Care Plan.</p> <p>If you are aged 19 or over:</p> <p>Fee : £2573.00</p> <p><i>The fee quoted is for the academic year 25/26.</i></p>				

For advice and guidance, please contact Student Services via our [online enquiry form](#)

This information was current on 12th July, 2025 and may be subject to change.