

LEVEL IV

LEVEL 4:

I) Diploma in Business Management

Qualification Number: 603/1571/4

Number of Units: 4

Guided Learning Hours: 300

Credits: 60

The shorter Foundation Diploma provides a good general grounding in core aspects of business. It will also give you the tools to develop yourself in a way that will support your long-term career progression.

It is designed for those who wish to further their career or progress quickly onto the next ABE Level and then go onto employment. If you wish to progress to a university degree, the 8 Unit - 120 credit - Diploma is likely to provide more favorable progression options in the long term.

This qualification is at the same level of difficulty as year one of a bachelor's degree.

II) Diploma in Business Management and Marketing

Qualification Number: 603/1574/X

Number of Units: 8

Guided Learning Hours: 600

Credits: 120

This qualification provides a thorough grounding in the core principles of marketing and business management. You will also gain an understanding of the conditions which shape and form business strategy. Along-side this you will learn the skills you need to develop and market yourself to enhance your lifelong career prospects.

This qualification is at the same level of difficulty as year one of a bachelor's degree.

III) Diploma in Business Management and Human Resources

Qualification Number:603/1573/8

Number of Units:8

Guided Learning Hours:600

Credits:120

This qualification provides a thorough grounding in contemporary Business Management with a particular focus on principles of Human Resources (HR). It will also provide you with tools to work on your own self-development and the know-how to become recognized as a successful and valuable employee. It is at the same level of difficulty as the first year of a bachelor's degree.

Grading

In order to achieve an ABE qualification, you must demonstrate sufficient depth of study and acquisition of knowledge and skills expected for the qualification. You will need to demonstrate your achievement through the assessments set by ABE. On completion of your ABE qualification, you will be awarded an overall qualification grade based on your performance across all of your unit assessments.

The following qualification grades are available:

Grade
Fail
Pass
Merit
Distinction

Units will be assessed using the following grading scale:

Grade	Boundary
Fail	0 – 39
Pass	40 – 54
Merit	55 – 69
Distinction	70 – 100

Calculation of the overall qualification grade

The overall qualification grade will be calculated based on learner performance at unit level. Each unit carries a maximum of 100 points. The calculation of the overall qualification grade is based on the learner's performance in all units to the value of 60/120 credits. All units in the qualification must be attempted and contribute to your final grade. A minimum of Pass is required for all units in order to complete the qualification.

	L4 Foundation Diploma 60 credits (4 units)	L4 Diplomas 120 credits (8 units)
Grade	Boundary Points threshold	Boundary Points threshold
Fail	0 – 159	0 – 319
Pass	160 – 219	320 – 439
Merit	220 – 279	440 – 559
Distinction	280 – 400	560 – 800