

## **Purpose statement**

The following purpose is for the City & Guilds Level 3 Certificate in Communication Support for Deaf Learners (600/7993/9)

Area	Description
OVERVIEW	Description
What does this qualification cover?	The City & Guilds Level 3 Certificate in Communication Support for Deaf Learners enables trainee support workers to understand and develop supporting relationships and communication skills required to help deaf learners achieve their goals. Learners must achieve 36 credits from the mandatory units:
	Preparing to support learning
	<ul> <li>Learning support in lifelong learning contexts: communication support for deaf learners</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Principles of learning support: communication support for deaf learners</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Supporting learning: communication support for deaf learners</li> <li>Reflective journal</li> </ul>
	Supporting bi-lingual access
	Clear speech and notetaking
	Accessible English for deaf and deafblind people
	For further information on the structure and the units that must be taken, please refer to the qualification handbook on the website:
	http://www.cityandguilds.com/qualifications-and-apprenticeships/learning/learning-support/6259-learning-support#tab=documents
	You will develop the knowledge and skills needed to support deaf learners in a range of contexts across the learning and skills sector (further education and sixth-form colleges, adult and community education and work-based learning).
WHAT COULD TH	HIS QUALIFICATION LEAD TO?
Why choose this qualification over similar qualifications?	This is the only Level 3 work-based qualification suitable for those wishing to provide learning support specifically to deaf learners. The City & Guilds Level 3 Award for Learning Support Practitioners (600/6837/1) provides a knowledge-only introduction to the role and the City & Guilds Level 3 Certificate for Learning Support Practitioners (600/7977/0) is suitable for those wishing to provide generic learning support. The City & Guilds Level 3 Certificate in Supporting Literacy, Language and Numeracy Learning

(600/7985/X) and the City & Guilds Level 3 Certificate in Supporting Disabled Learners (600/7907/1) are available for those wishing to give

specialist support for learners with other specific needs.

	This qualification provides the skills and knowledge needed in learning support roles and can help individuals progress into employment as Communication Support Practitioners for deaf learners.	
Alternatives routes to achieve the same outcome?	The Level 3 Certificate for Learning Support Practitioners is also a component qualification within the Level 3 Learning Support apprenticeship framework, pathway 4: Communication Support for Deaf Learners.	
How this qualification supports the identified outcome(s)?	This qualification is for those working in a wide range of education and learning settings.	
	This qualification can help individuals to progress into roles with additional management responsibilities, such as a Senior Learning Support Practitioner. Additionally, with further training you could gain employment in other specialist support roles, mentoring and coaching and teaching and training.	
WHO SUPPORTS THIS QUALIFICATION?		
Employer/Highe r Education Institutions	This qualification is widely recognised across the learning and skills sector, as well as being expected for support workers in Higher Education. It is recognised by the Association of Deaf Education Professionals and Trainees (ADEPT).	