

NEC Services for Schools

Widening subject choices

NEC in partnership with schools



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Working with Schools and Sixth Form Colleges

Since 2001 NEC has supported schools and sixth form colleges to extend their subject choices and to stretch their gifted and talented students by offering a wide range of tutor-supported distance learning courses.

We are able to step in at short notice to help support schools who have timetable clashes, teacher shortages or insufficient numbers of students to make classes viable.

We can also provide schools with the opportunity to offer courses to the wider adult learning community.

With over 20 GCSE and A Level subjects and over 100 vocational qualification titles on offer, we can assist any school, either in the UK or abroad, to offer English qualifications efficiently and cost-effectively.

Courses

- NEC offers the widest range of GCSEs, IGCSEs and 'A' levels available through distance learning
- NEC courses allow you to increase your subject range
- NEC courses help students to develop their independent study skills

Vocational qualifications, study skills and other courses

Working in partnership with NEC also gives schools access to over 100 courses and resources for vocational qualifications, such as care and early years, as well as study skills and personal development.

Resources

- All of our General Education titles can be purchased as resource packs (without tutor support)
- NEC's resources can be used to provide extra subject support for timetabled lessons

We'll help you to

- Overcome staffing shortages
- Resolve timetable clashes cost effectively
- Extend subject choice without having to employ specialist teachers
- Stretch gifted and talented students
- Deliver your extended services core offer

We offer

- Over 100 courses by distance learning
- Over 200 resource packs
- High quality, structured learning materials
- Regular contact with NEC's schools advisers, from the time of enrolment through to the completion of a course
- Subject specialist tutors who mark assignments and coursework
- Online facilities for you to check your students' progress
- Online community forums where your students can interact with other learners
- The option to enrol as few or as many students as you like, at any time, without any membership fee

NEW for 2010

We will send regular fortnightly student progress checks to allow you to monitor your learners closely.

Additional Services

- Extra tutor support by telephone or email: £40 per hour
- Face to face training for schools coordinators:
£300 per day + travel & accommodation at cost
- Face to face student/tutor workshop:
£300 per day + travel & accommodation at cost

Other circumstances

NEC can also help in circumstances where attendance at school is not possible, appropriate or effective. For students with long-term illnesses and school phobia, young people in travelling communities, and pupils with truancy problems or attending Pupil Referral Units, we'll work with you to find flexible and practical teaching solutions.

After School or Breakfast Clubs

If you have an after-school or breakfast club attached to your school we can provide staff training through our range of childcare and playwork courses. Visit our main website at www.nec.ac.uk for further details.

NEC Courses & Resources

'A' levels

'A' level (19)	Exam Board	
Accounting	AQA	<p>A Level Course Price: Full A level: £485 AS: £285 A2: £215</p> <p>A Level Resource Price: AS: £68 A2: £52 (without tutor support) AS/A2: £104 (when ordered together on same purchase order)</p>
Biology	Edexcel	
Business Studies	AQA	
Classical Civilisation	OCR	
Critical Thinking	OCR	
Economics	Edexcel	
English Language and Literature	AQA	
English Literature	AQA	
Environmental Studies	AQA	
French	OCR	
Geography	OCR	
Government and Politics	Edexcel	
History	Edexcel	
Law	AQA	
Maths	Edexcel	
Philosophy	AQA	
Psychology	AQA	
Religious Studies	AQA	
Sociology	AQA	

Course Fees include

- Course materials
- Assignment marking and telephone/email support from a subject specialist tutor
- NEC administrative support
- Schools coordinators' handbook
- Access to online progress reports

Please note: examination fees vary and are not included in the price of the course. Some awarding bodies may also require a registration fee.

What we offer

NEC offers a wide range of other vocational qualifications, study skills and more.

For further details please visit the website www.nec.ac.uk/schools

GCSEs

GCSE (14)	Exam Board	
Additional Science	OCR	<p>GCSE Course Price: £355</p> <p>GCSE Resource Price: £84 (without tutor support)</p>
Biology	OCR	
Chemistry	OCR	
English	AQA	
English Literature	AQA	
ICT	OCR	
ICT Short Course	OCR	
Law	AQA	
Maths Foundation	AQA	
Maths Higher	AQA	
Physics	OCR	
Psychology	AQA	
Science	OCR	
Sociology	AQA	

IGCSEs

IGCSE (13)	Exam Board	
Biology	Edexcel	<p>IGCSE Course Price: £355</p> <p>IGCSE Resource Price: £84 (without tutor support)</p>
Business Studies	Edexcel	
Chemistry	Edexcel	
Child Development	CIE	
English Language	Edexcel	
French	Edexcel	
Geography	CIE	
History	Edexcel	
Maths Foundation	Edexcel	
Maths Higher	Edexcel	
Physics	Edexcel	
Spanish	Edexcel	
ESOL	Edexcel	

NEC tutor support: We're with you every step of the way

We can provide pre-enrolment advice and guidance for students where needed. It may also be possible for an NEC tutor to visit the school beforehand (separate fees apply).

Once enrolled on a course, students will receive a letter from NEC, welcoming them to the course and introducing them to their tutor. They will also receive a course guide and a copy of the student book, both of which contain useful information about NEC and what to expect during their studies.

The NEC tutor's main role is to mark assignments and to provide constructive criticism on each student's progress. They can also advise students on how to plan their work. For practical purposes, we try to allocate all students enrolled on the same course in a school to the same tutor. Contact with the tutor will be either by post, phone or email.

Whilst our tutors will guide your students through the course, they will also require a certain amount of support and guidance within school itself to ensure they gain the most from their studies and the distance learning experience. We suggest that a coordinator be appointed within the school to liaise with NEC's dedicated advisers and provide that additional support to your students. Our advisers will contact your coordinator to answer any initial queries. They will also be on hand to offer further advice and support while your students are enrolled with us.

Online facilities for you and your students

Students receive access to our **Student Interest Groups**, a growing online community enabling learners to interact with each other and take part in online discussions relating to their studies.

Our **Services for Schools website** provides up-to-date information on all our courses and resources, as well as an entry point to our online facilities. You can also download topic lists for all our GCSE and A Level courses.

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About NEC

The National Extension College is a not-for-profit organisation and registered charity set up to help people of all ages fit learning into their lives. We believe there should be more than one way to get a good education.

- We support **20,000 individual learners a year** on over 100 home study courses
- We provide quality open learning resources for organisations including schools, further education colleges, Local Authorities and NHS Trusts
- We work with private and public sector businesses to organise training programmes that allow their employees to study at convenient times
- Our materials are specially written for independent study by specialist authors

We have helped people in England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales get access to education for 40 years, and have proved that a second chance at education can be a first class experience.

What next?

NEC has had tremendous success in helping many schools meet the challenges they face head on. Now let us help you.

For more information on how NEC could work with your school visit our Services for Schools website at www.nec.ac.uk/schools where you can download an enrolment form.

Alternatively, call our schools team on **01223 400206/400261**, or email schools@nec.ac.uk

NEC is a member of:

- Open and Distance Learning Quality Council
- British Institute for Learning and Development
- Association of Colleges
- European Association for Distance Learning
- The National Institute of Adult Continuing Education

All our course materials, tuition and student advice services are independently assessed by the Open and Distance Learning Quality Council.



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Useful Addresses

CCEA – Council for the Curriculum Examinations and Assessment

www.ccea.org.uk
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QCDA – Qualifications and Curriculum Development Authority

www.qca.org.uk
Customer Relations
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British Institute for Learning and Development

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Ofsted

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SSAT – Specialist Schools and Academies Trust

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DELLS – Welsh Assembly Government's Department for Children, Education Lifelong Learning and Skills

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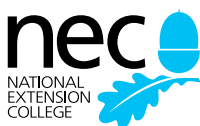
ODLQC – Open and Distance Learning Quality Council

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SQA – Scottish Qualifications Authority

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