

Level 6 Foundation Apprenticeships

Learner Information

session 2024/25





What is a Foundation Apprenticeship?

Foundation Apprenticeships (FA) are a national scheme available to school students. They offer a chance for students to undertake work based learning from a theoretical and practical perspective. Almost all Level 65 FAs have a weekly work placement that will run for most of the school year. Midlothian secondary schools will offer seven Level 6 FAs as part of our senior Phase curriculum during session 2024/25.

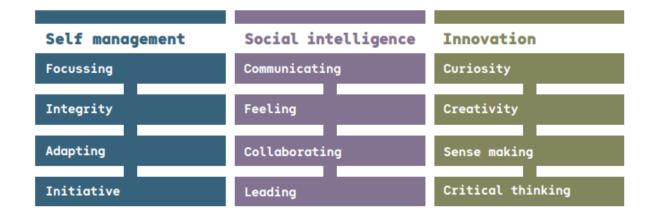
Click here to find out more about FAs.

Why should I think about choosing a Foundation Apprenticeship?

FAs are increasingly attractive and relevant to senior Phase students because they are work based and work oriented. Level 6 FAs are equivalent to a Higher but with a different assessment schedule. We think Level 6 FAs are particularly relevant, and a good option, for two groups of students

- Future 56 students who expect to secure five Highers at A/B in their 55; A Level 6 FA may well be a better option than another Higher or Advanced Higher
- Future S5 students who aim to secure at least five Highers over their
 S5 and S6 and who are thinking about a mixture of N5s and Highers in
 S5; A Level 6 FA may well be a better option than a N5

Level 6 FAs are relevant to a range of jobs and help to support the development of a range of skills that employers, colleges and universities are looking for in school leavers. These skills are known as **meta-skills** and are shown in the table below.



What Level 6 Foundation Apprenticeships are on offer?

Midlothian secondary schools are offering seven Level 6 FAs for session 2024/25. In addition, we are offering a unique Level 6 qualification called 'Global Infrastructure and the Built Environment'. This is similar to an FA as it is work oriented learning. More detailed information on what is on offer is listed below.

Each FA counts as one subject choice and will sit in one column. It will involve travel for some students as it's a Midlothian offer and will bring together learners for different schools. Your school will advise on where you'll learn and your work placement after the 2024 SQA Exam Diet.

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social services and Healthcare	<u>click here</u>
social services: Children and Young people	<u>click here</u>
Global Infrastructure and the Built Environment	<u>click here</u>