## Appendix 3

**Table A3.1:** UK education levels.

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| **Level** | **Details** |
| Level 1  | first certificateGCSE - grades 3, 2, 1 or grades D, E, F, Glevel 1 awardlevel 1 certificatelevel 1 diplomalevel 1 ESOLlevel 1 essential skillslevel 1 functional skillslevel 1 national vocational qualification (NVQ)music grades 1, 2 and 3 |
| Level 2 | CSE - grade 1GCSE - grades 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4 or grades A\*, A, B, Cintermediate apprenticeshiplevel 2 awardlevel 2 certificatelevel 2 diplomalevel 2 ESOLlevel 2 essential skillslevel 2 functional skillslevel 2 national certificatelevel 2 national diplomalevel 2 NVQmusic grades 4 and 5O level - grade A, B or C |
| Level 3 | A levelaccess to higher education diplomaadvanced apprenticeshipapplied generalAS levelinternational Baccalaureate diplomalevel 3 awardlevel 3 certificatelevel 3 diplomalevel 3 ESOLlevel 3 national certificatelevel 3 national diplomalevel 3 NVQmusic grades 6, 7 and 8tech level |
| Level 4 | certificate of higher education (CertHE)higher apprenticeshiphigher national certificate (HNC)level 4 awardlevel 4 certificatelevel 4 diplomalevel 4 NVQ |
| Level 5 | diploma of higher education (DipHE)foundation degreehigher national diploma (HND)level 5 awardlevel 5 certificatelevel 5 diplomalevel 5 NVQ |
| Level 6 | degree apprenticeshipdegree with honours - for example bachelor of the arts (BA) hons, bachelor of science (BSc) honsgraduate certificategraduate diplomalevel 6 awardlevel 6 certificatelevel 6 diplomalevel 6 NVQordinary degree without honours |
| Level 7 | integrated master’s degree, for example master of engineering (MEng)level 7 awardlevel 7 certificatelevel 7 diplomalevel 7 NVQmaster’s degree, for example master of arts (MA), master of science (MSc)postgraduate certificatepostgraduate certificate in education (PGCE)postgraduate diploma |
| Level 8 | doctorate, for example doctor of philosophy (PhD or DPhil)level 8 awardlevel 8 certificatelevel 8 diploma |