

Certificate in Co-operative Studies SCQF level 6

Structure

Candidates would require to complete the Mandatory unit and **two** optional units.

Mandatory Unit

Co-operative Enterprise – The Democratic Alternative This unit gives candidates a clear understanding of the co-operative enterprise model, the internationally agreed values and principles which govern co-operatives and their structure. Candidates are also required to analyse how co-operatives put theory into practice.

Optional Units

Unit 1: History and Development of the Co-operative Movement This unit gives candidates knowledge and understanding of how the co-operative movement began and developed from the 18th century until the present day.

Unit 2: Researching Co-operative Enterprise In this unit candidates investigate an existing co-operative enterprise and how it puts the values and principles into practice. They then research how the co-operative business model can help to address a current issue such as Climate Change or the Financial Crisis.

Unit 3: Global Co-operatives This unit gives candidates a knowledge of global co-operative enterprise and an understanding of its impact on communities globally.

Unit 4: Co-operative Enterprise Activity In this unit candidates will plan, organise and run a co-operative enterprise with limited teacher support.

