

ICT

BTEC Level 3 Extended Certificate

Course Description

The BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Information Technology is equivalent to one A Level. It is designed for students who are interested in an introduction to the study of creating IT systems to manage and share information alongside other fields of study, with a view to progressing to a higher education course.

Students will develop a common core of IT knowledge and study areas such as the relationship between hardware and software that form an IT system, managing and processing data to support business and using IT to communicate and share information.

(Equivalent to 1 A level – generates points for University entry)

Entry Requirements

GCSE Average: 3.6 GCSE grade 4 in Maths, grade 4 in English.

Merit in L2 BTEC if taken.



Progression

This qualification carries UCAS points and is recognised by higher education providers as meeting admission requirements to many relevant courses.

The qualification supports entry to, for example:

- BA (Hons) in Business
- BA (Hons) in Computer Arts
- BSc (Hons) in Software Development for Animation
- BA (Hons) in Accounting and Finance.

The qualification is aimed at progression to higher education and enables students to develop knowledge and skills needed in roles such as a social media specialist, web/content developer, or business analyst.



Course Details

There four units of which three are mandatory and two are specialists. Two of the units are externally assessed. Learners must complete and achieve a pass grade or above for all mandatory units in order to pass the overall qualification

Mandatory Units	Assessment method
Information Technology Systems	External – exam
Creating Systems to Manage Information	External – exam
Using Social Media in Business	Internal – coursework
Specialist Units	
Website Development	Internal – coursework



“Even though I haven't studied ICT before I'm really enjoying getting to understand the theory behind IT systems and learning how to develop a website and understand the power of ICT in our society.”

Further Information

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