

Music

BTEC Level 3 National Foundation Diploma in Music is equivalent to 1.5 A Levels. The course involves 6 units of which 4 are mandatory and 2 are coursework. Studied over 1 year this qualification supports progression to an apprenticeship in the music sector or to a BTEC National Extended Diploma.

Mandatory Units	
• Music Performance Brief	• Music Skills Development
Externally Assessed Units	
• Music Composition Brief	• Professional Practise in the Music Industry
Optional Units (Select 2)	
• Composing Music	• Exploring Theory and Harmony
• Music Promotion	• Live Music Events
• Solo Performance	• Music Ensembles
• Music Software Skills	

BTEC National Extended Diploma in Music is equivalent to three A Levels. The course involves 13 units of which 7 are Mandatory and 6 are coursework. This 2 year course fully meets the entry requirements for learners wanting to progress within the music industry.

Mandatory Units	
• Music Performance Brief	• Music Skills Development
• Creating a Music Product	
Externally Assessed Units	
• Music Composition Brief	• Professional Practise in the Music Industry
• Musical Context	• Critical Listening
Optional Units (Select 2)	
• Composing Music	• Exploring Theory and Harmony
• Music Promotion	• Live Music Events
• Solo Performance	• Music and Sound for the Moving Image
• Music Ensembles	• Contemporary Song Writing Techniques
• Music Software Skills	• Music Investigation
• Vocal Development	• Improvising Music

Both are practical courses in which you will learn about performing, arranging, song writing/composing and a wide range of different styles of music. Central to the course is development of your instrumental or vocal skills and using these in live performances.

The courses will include solo, instrumental/vocal tuition and ensemble coaching. Working with professionals within the music industry. Creating and staging concerts within the school and the community. BTEC Level 3 Music can lead to a career within the music industry or further study at college or university. An active involvement in music performance both inside and outside of school is highly desirable.

The course requirements...

Merit or higher in BTEC Music or Grade 5 or above in GCSE Music. An ability to play a musical instrument and also have Music technology and composition skills