



Sixth Form Course Listing

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Students undertaking the A Level pathway will also have the opportunity to study the following subjects:

Sports (BTEC)

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Music (BTEC)

Extended Project Qualification

Certificate of Personal Effectiveness

Core Maths and Financial Studies



VOCATIONAL PATHWAYS

BUSINESS PATHWAY

BTEC BUSINESS

Leading to careers in business, management, IT, administration, customer service, retail, finance, marketing, human resources and web design.

CREATIVE PATHWAY

BTEC Performing Arts and Music

Leading to careers in music, theatre, performing arts, teaching and music or performance therapy.

ACTIVE PATHWAY

BTEC Sport

Leading to careers in sports science, physiotherapy, sport coaching and sport management.

FLEXIBLE PATHWAY

BTEC Business with BTEC Performing Arts/ BTEC ICT/ BTEC Sport/ BTEC Travel & Tourism/ BTEC Music/ Criminology Applied Diploma

Leading to careers in business, management, IT, administration, customer service, retail, finance, marketing, human resources, web design, sport management and A&R.

CARE PATHWAY

BTEC Health and Social Care

Leading to careers in nursing, midwifery, social work, mentoring, counselling, psychology, youth work and teaching.



AAQ Level 3

National Extended Certificate in Health and Social

Course Description

First year of studies: requires the completion of 3 units of work.

F090 Principles of health and social care - External Assessment

F092 Person-centred approach to care - NEA = Non-Examined Assessment

F093 Supporting people with mental health conditions - NEA = Non-Examined Assessment

Second year of studies: requires the completion of 3 units of work.

F091 Anatomy and physiology for health and social care - External Assessment

Across the 2 years an additional 2 units are completed. 2 optional units both NEA = Non-Examined Assessment, subject to change:

F096 Supporting people in relation to sexual health, pregnancy and postnatal health - NEA = Non-Examined Assessment

F097 Supporting healthy nutrition and lifestyles - NEA = Non-Examined Assessment

PROGRESSION

Both the subject-specific knowledge, understanding and skills, and broader transferable skills developed in this qualification will help candidates to prepare to study a wide range of courses at degree level such as nursing, midwifery, social work, social care, social science and primary teaching.

AT A GLANCE

- OCR AAQ in Health and Social Care (Extended Certificate)
- Examination Board: OCR
- Assessment: NEA = Non-Examined Assessment / Exams

Course details:

Title of course: OCR Level 3 Alternative Academic Qualification Cambridge Advanced National in Health and Social Care (Extended Certificate)

Examination board: OCR
Periods of teaching contact time per week: 5 hours

Qualification after 2 years:
OCR Level 3 Alternative Academic Qualification Cambridge Advanced National in Health and Social Care (Extended Certificate)

Assessment information:
External exams (2), externally marked.
NEA = Non-Examined Assessment (4)

Entry Criteria:
English/ Science at grade 4+

BTEC Level 3

National Diploma in Business

Course Description

First year of studies: requires the completion of 4 units of work.

Unit 1 Exploring Business - internal assessed coursework

Unit 2 Developing a marketing campaign - external controlled assessment

Unit 3 Personal and Business Finance - external examination

Unit 8 Recruitment and selection process - internally assessed coursework

Second year of studies: required the completion of 4 units of work

Unit 4 Managing an event - internal assessed coursework

Unit 5 International Business - internal assessed coursework

Unit 6 Principles of Management - external controlled assessment

Unit 19 Pitching a new business idea - internal assessed coursework

All units are related to the business world and will broaden your knowledge in how business operate in different functional areas.

In addition to the Business BTEC you can select one of the following three courses to make up your flexible pathway.

Pearson Level 3 AAQ BTEC National in Information Technology (Extended Certificate).

BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Music.

BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Sport.

AT A GLANCE

- BTEC Diploma in Business - part of the 'flexible pathway' at Forge
- Examination Board: Edexcel
- Assessment: internal coursework, external controlled assessment (January and resit opportunity June) and external examination (January and resit June)
- Entry Criteria: GCSE English grade 4 or above and at least 4 other GCSE's grade 9 - 4.

Course Details

Title of Course: BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Business

Examination Board: Edexcel

Periods of teacher contact time per week: 10 hours

Independent study (additional to teacher contact): 10 hours

Qualification after 2 Years: BTEC Diploma Business Studies

Assessment Information: External exam in Unit 3, internally assessed coursework and externally assessed controlled assessments.

Entry Criteria: GCSE Maths/English grade 4 or above and at least 4 other GCSE's grade 9 - 4.

BTEC Level 3

National Extended Diploma

in Business

Course Description

First year of studies: requires the completion of 4 units of work.

Unit 1 Exploring Business - internal assessed coursework

Unit 2 Developing a marketing campaign - external controlled assessment

Unit 3 Personal and Business Finance - external examination

Unit 8 Recruitment and selection process - internally assessed coursework

Second year of studies: required the completion of 4 units of work

Unit 4 Managing an event - internal assessed coursework

Unit 5 International Business - internal assessed coursework

Unit 6 Principles of Management - external controlled assessment

Unit 19 Pitching a new business idea - internal assessed coursework

Across the 2 years an additional 4 units are completed.

Unit 7 Business Decision Making - assessed externally
TBC - 3 other optional units all internally assessed coursework

All units are related to the business world and will broaden your knowledge in how business operate in different functional areas.

AT A GLANCE

- BTEC Extended Diploma in Business
- Examination Board: Edexcel
- 12 units of study
- Assessment: internal coursework, external controlled assessment (January and resit opportunity June) and external examination (January and resit June)
- Entry Criteria: GCSE English grade 4 or above and at least 4 other GCSE's grade 9 - 4.

Course Details

Title of Course: BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Business

Examination Board: Edexcel

Periods of teacher contact time per week: 15 hours

Independent study (additional to teacher contact): 10 hours

Qualification after 2 Years: BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Business

Assessment Information: External exam in Unit 3, Internally assessed coursework and Externally assessed controlled assessments.

Entry Criteria: GCSE Maths/English grade 4 or above and at least 4 other GCSE's grade 9 - 4.

BTEC Level 3

National Extended Diploma

in Health and Social Care

Course Description

The BTEC Level 3 in Health and Social Care is a work related qualification that combines work placements, college and external based assessment. Learners have the opportunity to experience placements which relate to health and social care as well as completing units in human lifespan development, infection control, promoting public health, working in health and social care plus many more.

PROGRESSION

- Candidates who achieve this qualification will be prepared to study a wide range of courses at degree level - nursing, midwifery, social work, social care, social sciences and primary teaching.
- This qualification will support candidates working towards careers in health and social care fields including nursing, midwifery, social work, counselling and primary teaching.

AT A GLANCE

- BTEC National Diploma in Health and Social Care
- Examination Board: Pearson
- Assessment: Assignments/exams

Course Details

Title of Course: BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care

Examination Board: Pearson

Periods of teacher contact time per week: 15 hours per week - 1 day per week placement in year 12

Qualification after 2 Years: BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care

Assessment Information: External exams (3), externally marked and set controlled assessment (1) and internal assignments (9). Placement portfolio.

Entry Criteria:

English/ Science at grade 4+

WHAT FORMERS STUDENTS SAY:

"I love the placements and how they link with the work we do in college"



BTEC Level 3

National Extended Diploma

in Travel and Tourism

Course Description

This qualification is designed to support learners who want a two year, full-time course that meets entry requirements in its own right for progression to higher education courses in travel and tourism before entering employment. It can support learners who want to progress directly to job roles in travel and tourism.

PROGRESSION

- Career/work opportunities: This is a work related qualification designed to provide preparation for employment in the Travel and Tourism industry e.g. resort representative or manager, travel consultant, tour guide, cabin crew, cruise liner staff, visitor attraction manager, hotel manager and tourist information manager.

AT A GLANCE

- BTEC level 3 Pearson BTEC National Extended Diploma in Travel and Tourism
- Equivalent to one A Level.

Pearson Level 3 AAQ BTEC National in Information Technology (Extended Certificate) can be selected in addition to the Business BTEC to make up your flexible pathway.

Course Details

Title of Course: BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Travel and Tourism

Examination Board: Edexcel

Periods of teacher contact time per week: 15 hours

Qualification after 2 Years: BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Travel and Tourism

Assessment Information: This course is assessed through a combination of coursework and 2 examinations. Assessment is undertaken through written reports, problem solving and role play.

Entry Criteria: GCSE English grade 4 or above and at least 4 other GCSE's grade 9 - 4.

WHAT FORMERS STUDENTS SAY:

"Travel and Tourism widened my knowledge about the travel industry. My qualification has allowed me to get a job in the travel industry."



BTEC Level 3

National Extended Certificate

in Information Technology

Course Description

Studying the AAQ in IT provides a modern, career-focused qualification that supports progression to higher education. It develops key skills like teamwork, creativity, presentations, and independent research. Covering topics such as cybersecurity, web design, and databases, the course offers insight into IT's role in business. Assessment is split between internal and external units across Years 12 and 13.

Progression

Many IT students progress to related university courses, including creative and technical degrees like Computer Games Technology and Cyber Security. The qualification also supports entry into other degree programs by contributing to UCAS points. Developed with input from top businesses and universities, the course equips students with skills valued by employers and is ideal for those pursuing IT apprenticeships.

Unit structure:

Unit 1 IT Systems: you will study types of information technology systems, including the relationship between software and hardware, and the issues related to IT systems.

Unit 2 Cybersecurity: you will study types of cyber security attacks, the vulnerabilities in networked systems and how to plan and respond to attacks.

Unit 3 Website design: you will study the development tools, techniques and processes used in website development and how to test usability, functionality and fitness for purpose.

Unit 4 Databases: you will study the structure of data, database design and database management systems (DBMS).

AT A GLANCE

Course Pearson Level 3 AAQ BTEC National in Information Technology (Extended Certificate)

Exam board Pearson

Title: Unit 1 Information Technology Systems (External) Unit 2 Cyber Security and Incident Management (External) Unit 3 Website Development (Internal) Unit 4 Relational Database Development (Internal)

Assessment: External assessment on this course contributes to 66.6% of the overall grade. Equivalent to one A Level.

Course details:

Title of course: Pearson Level 3 AAQ BTEC National in Information Technology (Extended Certificate)

Exam board: Pearson

Periods of teacher contact time per week: 5 hours.

Independent study: 4 hours

Qualification after two years: L3 AAQ IT Extended Certificate (Equivalent to 1 A Level).

Assessment information: Four units studied. Unit 3 and unit 4 are internally assessed and externally moderated. Unit 1 and 2 are assessed externally by a written exam. In year one, you will study unit 1 IT systems and unit 3 website development. In year 2, you will study unit 2 cybersecurity and unit 4 relational databases. The external assessments contribute towards 66% of the overall course grade.

Entry Criteria: Maths/English at grade 4+ and a KS4 ICT qualification graded at 4+ or BTEC L2 at Merit+.



BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Music

CREATIVE PATHWAY

FLEXIBLE PATHWAY

Course Description

The majority of the work completed is practical and pupils will prepare various performances throughout the course. Students will need to create practice logs and diaries to show progress. Students must adhere to deadlines and ensure work is of a high standard.

The units are as follows:

Unit 1: Ensemble music performance techniques.

Unit 2: Practical music theory and harmony.

Unit 3: Professional practice in the music industry.

Unit 18: Solo performance.

PROGRESSION

Candidates who achieve this qualification may go on to study Music Theatre or Performing Arts at University. It may also prove useful to pupils considering a career in the Live Music Industry as a teacher or in Music Therapy.

Also available on an A Level Pathway

BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Music can be selected in addition to the Business BTEC to make up your flexible pathway.

Course Details

Title of Course: BTEC National Extended Certificate in Music

Examination Board: Edexcel

Periods of teacher contact time per week: 5 hours

Qualification after 2 Years: BTEC Level 3 extended certificate

Assessment Information: Students are assessed internally and externally completing assignments relating to the 4 units studied. Work in both practical and written are assessed on an ongoing basis. When pupils submit work they are awarded a Pass, Merit or Distinction grade. If pupils are unhappy with their grade, they can resubmit work on one occasion within 10 days of the original submission.

Entry Criteria: Students should have studied either GCSE or BTEC Music or Performing Arts achieving a grade 4. Students should have either singing or instrumental grades or should be able to show a good skill level. Students may need to audition to be accepted onto the course depending on prior experience and qualification.

Vocational Pathways



BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Performing Arts

Course Description

Students complete 8 units over two years.

Year 1

Unit 1: Investigating practitioners work - Externally assessed

Unit 2: Developing skills and techniques for live performance - Internally assessed

Unit 3: Group performance workshop - Externally assessed

Unit 23: Singing techniques for Performers - Internally Assessed

Year 2

Unit 4: Performing Arts in the community - Internally Assessed

Unit 6: Final Live performance for an Audience - Internally Assessed

Unit 20: Developing the Voice for Performance - Internally Assessed

Unit 5: Individual Performance Commission - Externally Assessed.

PROGRESSION

Candidates who achieve this qualification may go on to study Performing Arts at University or specialist Performing Arts colleges. It may also prove useful to students considering a career in the Live Theatre Industry as a teacher or in Performance Therapy.

Course Details

Title of Course: BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Performing Arts

Examination Board: Edexcel

Periods of teacher contact time per week: 10 hours

Qualification after 2 Years: BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Performing Arts

Assessment Information: Students complete 4 units over the two years of the course and are assessed via coursework and video/DVD evidence. Performing is a large percentage of the course and written work accompanies the performance aspect.

Entry Criteria: Students should have studied either GCSE or BTEC Drama or Performing Arts achieving either a Pass or grade 4. Students may need to audition to be accepted onto the course depending on prior experience and qualifications.

BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Sport

Course Description

This is intended as an Applied General qualification, equivalent in size to one A Level. It is a two-year, full-time course that meets entry requirements in its own right for learners who want to progress to higher education courses in sport before entering employment. You will study, Anatomy and physiology, Fitness training for sport, health and well being, Professional development in the sports industry, Practical sports performance.

PROGRESSION

This qualification can lead into areas in the leisure industry, sports management, sports coaching, fitness instruction and PE teaching.

AT A GLANCE

- BTEC Level 3 Extended Certificate in Sport
- Examination Board - Edexcel
- Assessment: 1 Exam, 1 Scenario Based Exam, 2 Internally assessed Coursework Units.
- Entry Criteria: 2 grade 4's in English, Maths and Science. Grade 4 in Physical Education or Level 2 Merit in Level 2 BTEC Sport Award.

Course Details

Title of Course: BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Sport

Examination Board: Edexcel

Periods of teacher contact time per week: 5 hours

Qualification after 2 Years: BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Sport

Assessment Information: Two units in this course are external exams tests and are externally assessed through an exam. The other two units are internally set and consist of coursework that is completed. This can be submitted by written report, filming, presentation or photographic evidence.

Entry Criteria: 2 grade 4's in English, Maths and Science. Grade 4 in Physical Education or Level 2 Merit in Level 2 BTEC Sport Award.

Also available on an A Level Pathway

BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Sport can be selected in addition to the Business BTEC to make up your flexible pathway.



BTEC Level 3

National Extended Diploma in Sport

Course Description

This is intended as an Applied General qualification, equivalent in size to three A Levels. It is a two-year, full-time course that meets entry requirements in its own right for learners who want to progress to higher education courses in sport before entering employment. You will study, anatomy and physiology, fitness training for sport, health and well being, professional development in the sports industry, practical sports performance, coaching for sports performance, research methods in sport, development and provision of sport and physical activity, investigating business in the sport and active leisure industry, skill acquisition in sport, rules, regulations and officiating in sport, technical and tactical demands of sport, exercise, health and lifestyle.

PROGRESSION

This qualification can lead into areas in the leisure industry, sports management, sports coaching, fitness instruction and PE teaching.

AT A GLANCE

- BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sport
- Examination Board - Edexcel
- Assessment: 1 Exam, 3 Scenario Based Exams, 10 Internally assessed Coursework Units.
- Entry Criteria: 2 grade 4's in English, Maths and Science. Grade 4 in Physical Education or Level 2 Merit in Level 2 BTEC Sport Award.

Course Details

Title of Course: BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Sport

Examination Board: Edexcel

Periods of teacher contact time per week: 15 hours

Qualification after 2 Years: BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Sport

Assessment Information: Four units in this course are external exams tests and are externally assessed through an exam. The other nine units are internally set and consist of coursework that is completed. This can be submitted by written report, filming, presentation or photographic evidence.

Entry Criteria: 2 grade 4's in English, Maths and Science. Grade 4 in Physical Education or Level 2 Merit in Level 2 BTEC Sport Award.



Criminology

Applied Diploma

Course Description

Over the course of 2 years students will study various units within Criminology.

These will include the following:

Unit 1: Changing Awareness of Crime: The purpose of this unit is for students to plan campaigns for change relating to crime.

Unit 2: Criminological theories: The purpose of this unit is for students to apply their understanding of the public's perceptions of crime and campaigns for change studied in Unit 1 with criminological theories to examine how both are used to set policy.

Unit 3: Crime Scene to Courtroom: Through this unit, students will develop the understanding and skills needed to examine information in order to review the justice of verdicts in criminal cases.

Unit 4: Crime and Punishment: The purpose of this unit is for students to develop skills in order to evaluate the effectiveness of the process of social control in delivering policy in practice.

PROGRESSION

Students who complete this qualification will be prepared to study a range of courses at degree level such as Criminology, Sociology, Psychology and Law.

AT A GLANCE

- Level 3 Applied Diploma in Criminology
- Examination Board: Eduqas
- Assessment criteria: 50% Examination 50% Assessment/Assignment
- Entry Requirements: GCSE English and Science grade 4 or above and at least 4 other GCSE's grade 9- 4.

Course Details

Title of Course: Criminology

Examination Board: Eduqas

Periods of teacher contact time per week: 5 hours

Independent study (additional to teacher contact): 3 hours

Qualification after 2 Years: Level 3 Applied Diploma in Criminology

Assessment Information: Combination of internal and external assessments.

Internal assessments:

- Unit 1: Changing Awareness of Crime
- Unit 3: Crime Scene to Courtroom

Both units are assessed through controlled assessment

External assessments:

- Unit 2: Criminological Theories
- Unit 4: Crime and Punishment

There are 2 exams (to be taken in June)

Entry Criteria: GCSE English grade 4 or above, GCSE Science grade 4 or above and at least 3 other GCSE's grade 9- 4.



Sixth Form and beyond

Ormiston Forge Sixth Form

Our sixth form combines academic excellence with real-world skills. With A levels, specialist BTECs, and enrichment opportunities like the Duke of Edinburgh's Award, sports coaching, and leadership roles, students develop as confident, well-rounded individuals.

Exceptional support from our pastoral team, careers advisors, and teaching staff ensures guidance through university and job applications, mentoring, and financial support. Specialist pathways, including Medicine and Football programmes, give students targeted opportunities to pursue their passions.

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Vocational Pathways