



Vocational Qualifications at



What do we offer?

- **BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma**
- **OCR Level 3 National Extended Diploma**
- Both are **Level 3** qualifications.
- ...and are worth the equivalent of 3 traditional A-levels or an IB Diploma.



What vocational courses do we offer?

BTEC Extended Diplomas

- Art and Design
- Children's Care, Learning & Dev
- Fashion and Clothing
- Health and Social Care
- Music

- Sport and Exercise Sciences
- Travel and Tourism
- Uniformed Public Services
- *IT Practitioners and Business*

OCR Extended Diploma

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What is a Level 3 vocational qualification worth?

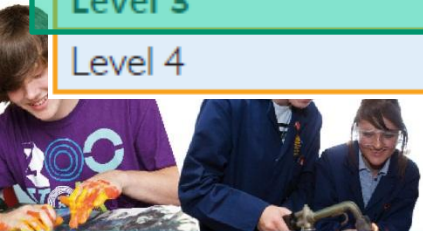
- For **BTEC/OCR Extended Diplomas**, for each unit you are graded on a **Pass, Merit or Distinction** basis.
- The **maximum** qualification is a **D*D*D*** (**OCR = D**)
- The **minimum** qualification is a **MPP** (**OCR = P**)
- A **MPP** is equivalent to 3 A-Levels at **1 x C & 2 x E** grades
- A **D*D*D*** is equivalent to 3 A-Levels at **A*** grade (**OCR D = A**)



Vocational Diplomas

- **All** courses are **full time** (with 'study' periods)
- Typically, students will study **18 units**.
- Each unit has a **points value** that depends upon which grade you achieve (70-90pts per typical unit).

Unit QCF level	Points per credit		
	Pass	Merit	Distinction
Level 2	5	6	7
Level 3	7	8	9
Level 4	9	10	11






Vocational Diplomas

- These points **accumulate over the course.**
- Below is an example of how BTEC courses are calculated overall.

Points range above pass grade	Grade
1300-1339	MPP
1340-1379	MMP
1380-1419	MMM
1420-1459	DMM
1460-1499	DDM
1500-1529	DDD
1530-1559	DDD*
1560-1589	DD*D*
1590 and above	D*D*D*



Vocational Diplomas

- Below is an example of how OCR courses are calculated overall.

OCR LEVEL 3 NATIONAL EXTENDED DIPLOMA (18 UNIT AWARD)

OCR GRADE	OCR POINTS	UCAS TARIFF	REPORTING GRADE TO UCAS
DISTINCTION	43 – 54	360	D1
	42	320	D2
MERIT	37 – 41	320	M1
	35 – 36	280	M2
	30 – 34	240	M3
PASS	27 – 29	200	P1
	22 – 26	160	P2
	18 – 21	120	P3

Vocational Statistics

- All assessment is **marked internally**.
- There are **NO TESTS** at the end or during the course.
- **97%** achieved a Level 3 qualification.
- **89%** of students who stay for the full duration of the course achieve the **full National Diploma**.
- The average grade achieved is a **DMM (280 UCAS)**.
- **84%** of students achieved or exceeded their target grade.
- **34%** of students went on to university.



Destinations

• University courses that students went onto in 2011 included:

- **Fine art**
- **Fashion retail management**
- **Graphic design**
- **IT and Business Management**

- **Primary education**
- **Music**
- **Computer game programming**
- **Mental health nursing**
- **PE and Youth Sport**
- **International tourism management**
- **Psychology**

