

LEVEL 3 BTEC NATIONAL AWARD IN Music (Performance)

What does the course involve?

The BTEC National Award offers a Specialist Qualification that focuses on particular skills, knowledge and understanding of Music Performance and consists 360 guided learning hours, comprising of 6 units that include core units and specialist units.

There are **no examinations**, the qualification is all assignment based and graded as a **Pass, Merit or Distinction**. The course covers two years, although committed students may wish to do it in one year and then extend their qualification to a National Certificate worth a second A level at the end of year 12.

What course units will I take?

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Core Units

- Music Performance Techniques
- Music Project
- Planning a Music Project

Specialist Units

- Music Performance Session Styles
- Musical Theatre Performance*
- Working and Developing as a Musical Ensemble*
- Pop Music in Practice

*only choose one of these units.

What qualifications do I need?

A GCSE in Music would be beneficial, as would instrumental or vocal lessons to support your learning. However, most important is enthusiasm, a love of performing and a willingness to participate fully.

Will I take part in any study/visits/field trips?

You will be expected to organise and participate in events as part of your qualification. There will be opportunities for you to work with Primary School students and organise musical events out of school.

What can you do after the course?

There are many courses you can go onto after your BTEC National Award in Music (Performance). It has the same value as one A level so would provide UCAS points for university, as well as providing a good grounding for a vocational course at any other institution.