

## Information and Communication Technology

### Program Overview

The BTEC National Extended Certificate in Information Technology is an applied learning qualification. It offers a blend of practical and theoretical learning, designed to develop your understanding and skills in IT. The course includes a range of units that cover essential IT topics, and each unit is aimed at enhancing specific skills required in the IT industry.

### Course Structure

Our program includes a variety of assessments, some of which are internally set and marked, while others are externally assessed. This combination ensures that you not only gain practical, hands-on experience but also develop the ability to demonstrate your knowledge under formal examination conditions. You will be required to complete assignments, participate in projects, and keep a portfolio of your work, which will be critical in showcasing your skills and learning progress.

By studying the Level 3 BTEC in ICT, learners develop knowledge, understanding and skills required by the sector, including essential employability skills, and apply them in real work contexts. The course includes a range of units that cover essential IT topics, and each unit is aimed at enhancing specific competencies required in the IT industry.

### Course Progression

When it comes to progression or employment, you will learn about the variety of opportunities available to you, and the roles and responsibilities of IT and organisations within the sector. This will make sure you develop clear ideas about where you might like to take your career and what progression routes you'd like to follow.

### Course Units

The BTEC National Extended Certificate in Information Technology consists of both mandatory and optional units, providing a foundation in IT principles and practices.

#### Mandatory Units:

- Information Technology Systems
- Creating Systems to Manage Information

#### Optional Units:

- Using Social Media in Business
- Web Development

### Entry Requirements:

At least 5 GCSEs at grades 4 or above including GCSE Maths and English.

