

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS - 2022

To do an academic 'A' level subject, you will need 5 GCSEs Grade 9-5

A LEVEL SUBJECTS - 2 year courses

Subject	GCSE required in subject	Minimum GCSE grade required in subject	Other relevant information
Art & Design	Art English	Grade 5 Grade 4	A sufficient understanding and skill in Art is required before embarking on this course.
Biology	Combined Science Biology Higher Maths Paper English	Grade 6-6 Grade 6 Grade 5 Grade 5	You need to be a strong scientist with a passion for understanding how things work. You should be comfortable carrying out calculations and drawing and interpreting graphs.
Business	English Maths	Grade 5 Grade 4	Strong interest in business and a good set of other GCSE grades is required.
Chemistry	Combined Science Chemistry Higher Maths Paper	Grade 6-6 Grade 6 Grade 5	You need to be a strong scientist with a passion for understanding how things work. Comfortable with aspects of GCSE mathematics, like rearranging equations and to be able to write accurately.
Computer Science	Maths other GCSE subjects	Grade 6 Grade 5	You should be enthusiastic about computing.
Economics	English Maths	Grade 5 Grade 5	An interest in current affairs and a good set of other GCSEs is required.
English Literature	English Literature English Language	Grade 5 Grade 5	You will need to be an enthusiastic reader and writer, have good time management and the ability to work independently, especially on coursework.
Further Mathematics	Mathematics	Grade 8	This subject must be taken alongside A level Mathematics and cannot be taken on its own.
Geography	Geography English	Grade 5 Grade 5	If the subject was not studied at GCSE then a 5 grade in another Humanities subject along with a Grade 5 in English is required.
History	History English	Grade 5 Grade 5	If the subject was not studied at GCSE then a 5 grade in another Humanities subject along with a Grade 5 is required.
Mathematics	Mathematics	Grade 7	You should enjoy solving mathematical problems and applying mathematical skills to solve real life problems.
Media Studies	English	Grade 5	It is vital you have enthusiasm to explore and research media texts and a willingness to work within groups for practical work.
MFL – French & German	French German English	Grade 5 Grade 5 Grade 5	You will need a good understanding of the grammatical concepts covered in the GCSE course.
Philosophy & Ethics	English	Grade 5	GCSE Religious Studies/Philosophy & Ethics is not a prerequisite for this course but you do need to have achieved a level 5 in English.
Photography	Art BTEC Creative Media English	Grade 4 or Merit Grade 4	If you have not already studied Media or Art at KS4, you will need to produce a photography portfolio to show the Head of Domain.

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Physical Education	English Core Science	Grade 6 Grade 5	You will need to be adept in an activity on the approved list, preferably also taking part in this activity outside of school.
Physics	Combined Science Physics Maths	Grade 6-6 Grade 6 Grade 6	You will also need grade 6 in GCSE maths and strongly recommend you take A level maths.
Product Design	Product Design English Maths	Grade 6 Grade 4 Grade 5	A reasonable level of competence, flair for design, a passion for learning and experimenting, an ability to work in groups and individually is also required. An interest in design and manufacture is important.
Psychology	English Maths Science	Grade 5 Grade 4 Grade 4	No previous psychology study is expected. Psychology is a science subject, an interest in applying scientific research methods to questions about the mind and human behaviour is essential.
Sociology	English	Grade 5	You do not need to have any prior sociological knowledge before starting this course. Good essay writing skills and an interest in current affairs.

LEVEL 3 BTEC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS - two year courses

Subject	GCSE required in subject	Minimum GCSE grade required in subject	Other relevant information
Applied Science	Science (Core & Additional) Triple Science English Maths	Two Grade 5-4 Two Grade 4s and 1 x 5 Grade 4 Grade 4	
Children's Play, Learning & Development	Maths English	Grade 4 Grade 4	You must have a desire to work with children. Students must complete 50 hours of work experience during the course. Ability to work independently and within a team is required.
Health & Social Care	Maths English	Grade 4 Grade 5	Study a subject that is relevant to your own lives and experience. A wish to move onto a related career or higher education course.
Media – Creative Digital Production	English	Grade 4	An interest in Media modes and technologies is required.
Performing Arts	English Drama	Grade 4 Pass	High degree of personal motivation and creativity is required.
Travel & Tourism	5 GCSE subjects	Grade 4	Geography and/or business GCSE would be a distinct advantage as would a good grade in English language.

Level 3 Certificate - 2 year course (Diploma - equivalent to a full A level)			
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Criminology	English Maths Science	Grade 4 Grade 4 Grade 4	No previous Criminology study is required. Criminology is a science subject. A good standard of English is compulsory and an interest in research and construction of formal argument is vital.

Level 3 Technicals			
Subject	GCSE required in subject	Minimum GCSE grade required in subject	Other info
Information Technology	English Maths	Grade 4 Grade 4	You will need to be interested and enthusiastic about computing and ICT.

One year courses - studied in Year 12

Level 3 Certificate			
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Level 3 Mathematical Studies	Mathematics	Grade 4	Students should be looking to take this subject further and build confidence and competence in the subject.
Criminology (certificate qualification equivalent to ½ an A Level)	English Maths Science	Grade 4 Grade 4 Grade 4	No previous criminology study is required. Criminology is a science subject. A good standard of English is compulsory and an interest in research and construction of formal argument is vital.
EPQ - Year 13 only			EPQ allows each student to embark on a largely self-directed and self-motivated project.

One year Transition Course

Level 3 Certificate			
Subject	GCSE required in subject	Minimum GCSE grade required in subject	Other info

Finance	Maths English	Grade 3 Grade 3	This course is run in conjunction with L2 Work Skills L3 Enterprise and Entrepreneurship
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Enterprise & Entrepreneurship	Maths English	Grade 3 Grade 3	