

Subject Entry Requirements

A Levels

Qual	Subject	Option	Grade 4+		Additional Entry Guidance
			Eng	Maths	
A	Art and Design (Art, Craft & Design)	Single	✓		A grade 4 or above in GCSE Art or Photography, Graphics, Textiles or Media is advisable. <i>Or a confident portfolio of Art work and knowledge of Artists.</i>
A	Biology	Single	✓	✓	A recommendation of at least a grade 6 in the chosen science and two 5s in the other sciences, or 6/6 in Combined Science. Grade 5 or above for English and Maths is advisable.
A	Business	Single	✓	✓	Please see point 2 and 3 overleaf.
A	Chemistry	Single	✓	✓	A recommendation of at least a grade 6 in the chosen science and two 5s in the other sciences, or 6/6 in Combined Science. Grade 5 or above for English and Maths is advisable.
A	Dance	Single			Students who are committed to studying Dance, even if they haven't completed GCSE Dance are advised to take this course, although some previous experience is an advantage.
A	Design and Technology: Product Design	Single	✓	✓	At least a 5 in Design Technology is advisable and at least a 5 or above in Maths and English.
A	Drama and Theatre Studies	Single			Students who are committed to studying Drama, even if they haven't completed GCSE Drama are advised to take this course, although some previous experience is an advantage.
A	English Language	Single	✓		Students are advised that they should have a grade 5 GCSE English Language and at least a grade 5 in GCSE English Literature.
A	English Literature	Single	✓		Students are advised to have achieved at least grade 5 in GCSE English Literature and at least a grade 5 in GCSE English Language.
A	English Literature/Language	Single	✓		Students are advised to have achieved at least grade 5 one of the English subjects and a grade 5 in the other GCSE English.
A	Economics	Single	✓	✓	[TS1] It is advisable that students must have at least a grade 5 in Maths and English Language. Economics is both a technical course and an essay based one.
A	French	Single	✓		It is recommended that students gain at least grade 5 at GCSE.
A	Geography	Single	✓	✓	Grade 5 or above in Maths, English and grade 5 in Geography is advisable for this course.
A	History	Single	✓		Study of GCSE History is useful but not a necessity. If you have studied History, then we would recommend that you have achieved at least a grade 5. Achieving at least a grade 5 in English Language is also strongly recommended. Please refer also to points 3 and 4 overleaf.
A	Law	Single	✓		At least a grade 5 in English is recommended. Please see point 2 overleaf for further guidance.
A	Mathematics	Single		✓	At least a grade 6 in Mathematics is recommended. Students who have achieved a grade 5 from the higher tier entry will be considered.
AS/A	Further Mathematics	Single		✓	At least a grade 7 in Mathematics is required. The qualification demands certification A Level Mathematics to certificate in Further Mathematics.

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AS	Level 3 Mathematical Studies (Core Maths) 1 year course	Single		✓	At least a grade 5 in Mathematics is recommended. This course is recommended for students whose courses may benefit from extended Mathematics study (e.g. Sciences, Social Sciences and Humanities), but for whom A-Level Mathematics is not advisable or appropriate.
A	Music	Single			A minimum of a Grade 6 at GCSE, Grade 6+ on an instrument and Grade 5 or higher music theory.
A	Philosophy	Single	✓		At least a grade 5 in English. See point 2 and 3 overleaf.
A	Photography	Single	✓		A grade 4 or above in GCSE Art or Photography, Graphics, Textiles or Media is advisable. <i>Or a confident portfolio of Art work and knowledge of Artists.</i>
A	Physical Education	Single	✓	✓	At least a grade 5 in one Science subject and at least grade 5 in English and Maths is recommended. Regular participation in a sport is essential.
A	Physics	Single	✓	✓	A recommendation of at least a grade 6 in the chosen science and two 5s in the other sciences, or 6/6 in Combined Science. Grade 5 or above for English and Maths is advisable.
A	Psychology	Single	✓	✓	At least grade 5 in Science and at least a 5 in English and Mathematics at GCSE level. Please see point 2 and 3 overleaf.
A	Spanish	Single	✓		At least a grade 5 in Spanish GCSE

BTECs

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BTEC	Applied Science	✓	✓	A recommendation of at least grade 5/5 in Combined Science and 4 in both English and Maths is also advisable. Certificate at the end of Year 1 and Extended Certificate at the end of Year 2.
BTEC (2yr)	Broadcast and Studio	✓		Grade 4 in English Language. Please see point 2 and 3 overleaf. Commitment to the subject is important for students to be successful.
BTEC	Food Science & Nutrition	✓		It is recommended that students achieve at least a grade 4 in Science and English. An interest in nutrition and health is desirable but not essential. Please also see points overleaf.
BTEC	Health and Social Care			See point 3 overleaf. Certificate at the end of Year 1 and Extended Certificate at the end of Year 2.
BTEC	Information Technology	✓	✓	A recommendation of at least 4 in English, Mathematics and Science. While a good grade in Level 2 ICT is not essential it is a significant advantage. Certificate at the end of Year 1 and Extended Certificate at the end of Year 2.
BTEC	Music			There are no GCSE requirements, however, a competent level on an instrument/voice and willingness to perform live. Certificate at the end of Year 1 and Extended Certificate at the end of Year 2.
BTEC	Sport	✓		It is recommended that students achieve at least a grade 4 in Science. Please see points 1,3 and 4 overleaf. An interest in sport is desirable but not essential. Certificate at the end of Year 1 and Extended Certificate at the end of Year 2.
BTEC (2yr)	Children's Play Learning Development	✓	✓	Please see point 3 overleaf.
BTEC	Performing Arts			Students who have a keen interest in any element of Performing Arts are recommended to choose this course. This course is suitable for students who have not studied Performing Arts at level 2. Certificate at the end of Year 1 and Extended Certificate at the end of Year 2.

Please note the following:

1. If you have studied a subject at Key Stage 4 (Years 10-11), we would expect you to have achieved at least a grade 4 at GCSE, or a merit at BTEC/OCR, to progress onto a Sixth Form course in that subject.
2. Some subjects were not available at Key Stage 4 and entry onto these courses is open to all students, please refer to the Entry Guidance Criteria.
3. Where a subject was available at Key Stage 4, but you didn't choose it, you may still be able to study it in the Sixth Form, please refer to the entry guidance criteria. All queries can be addressed through the Sixth Form team.
4. If you do not fulfil the entry guidance criteria for your desired course please see the Curriculum Leader for that subject and Sixth Form team for a discussion about your options in your preferred choice.