



**ALEC REED
ACADEMY**
PROUD TO LEARN

Careers Booklet

Welcome To the Transitions Book

The best decision is the one based on knowledge; the right combination of subjects for you will be those:

- Where you have made good progress throughout Year 7 and Year 8
- You enjoy the subject and would like to study it more

People You Can Ask for Help Or Advice

- Mr Cosby: Principal
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- Your Form Tutor

- Your Subject Teachers

- Ms Namitha Sharma: Careers Leader

- Vicky Simpson: Connexions Personal Advisor

Information on GCSE & BTEC

- At KS3 students do a whole range of subjects.
- At KS4 we aim to keep the curriculum as broad and balanced as possible but narrow it down.
- What does that mean in practice? For example in place of doing all 4 Arts subjects students choose to follow the one in which they are most interested.
- Why keep the curriculum so broad? To keep post-16 options open!
- GCSE exams have become linear. That means all test papers are taken at the end of the course in yr11
- Students can study no more than 3 Technical Awards.
- All BTEC Technical Awards will have an element of external assessments such as tests. This is 40% of the total marks.

New GCSE Grades

From 2018 the grades students are awarded in GCSE exams changed from letter grades to number grades. This is happening across all English schools. The new number grades will be recognised and understood by Sixth Forms, Employers and Universities. The table, right, shows the value of each new grade when compared to the more familiar letter grades currently used.

Equivalent old GCSE grade	New GCSE grade
A*	9
	8
A	7
	6
B	5
C	4
	3
D	2
E	1
F	
G	
U	U



HELP YOUR CHILD MAKE THE BEST GCSE CHOICES

You and your child may currently be considering, with advice from their school, what GCSE subjects they should take next year.

The Department for Education recommends these core subjects, which make up the English Baccalaureate (EBacc), and help keep options for young people open:

—English language and English literature

—Maths

—Science

Combined science or 3 single sciences from Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and Computer science

—History or Geography

—A language

Ancient or modern



WHAT IS THE EBACC?

The EBacc is not a qualification in its own right – it's a combination of GCSE subjects, including a language, that offer an important range of knowledge and skills to young people.

EBACC FUTURE PROOFS YOUR CHILD'S PROSPECTS

While your child may not have decided on their future career path yet, choosing the EBacc at GCSE gives them access to a full range of employment options when they leave secondary school and the broad knowledge that employers are looking for.

If they are thinking of going to university, the EBacc is also recommended by Britain's most prestigious universities.

The research found that students studying EBacc subjects for GCSE, were more likely to stay in education after 16.

The Centre for Longitudinal Studies,
August 2017

LANGUAGES GIVE YOUNG PEOPLE A COMPETITIVE EDGE

Languages are an important part of EBacc. Studying a foreign language can be extremely rewarding and exciting. They provide an insight into other cultures and can open the door to travel and employment opportunities. They can also broaden pupils' horizons, helping them flourish in new environments.

If your child finds languages difficult, don't forget that they will have been studying them for much less time than their other subjects and, while it can be a challenge, learning a language will greatly enhance their future opportunities.

What's more, we know that employers value languages, as they are increasingly important to make sure we can compete in the global market. Because of this, languages are increasingly becoming a requirement for many graduate schemes, such as those offered by Lidl.

"Having language skills under your belt will help make you stand out from the crowd, whether you're applying for an entry level position, a management role or an internal transfer."

Steve Cassidy, Senior Vice President & Managing Director, UK & Ireland, Hilton

The Russell Group has named languages as subjects that open doors to more degrees at universities.

(The Russell Group is a group of 24 universities with a shared focus on research and a reputation for academic achievement)

"Young people skilled in the languages of Europe, China and other key markets around the world, can look forward to exciting and rewarding careers."

Dr Adam Marshall, Director General of the British Chambers of Commerce

WHAT ABOUT ARTS AND MUSIC?

While arts and music are not included in the EBacc, every child should still experience a high-quality arts and cultural education throughout their time at school as part of a balanced curriculum. If your child can take 9 GCSEs, they will have either 1 or 2 further options and can choose subjects based on their wider interests like art or music as well as others such as physical education or technology.

Schools where more pupils select the EBacc at GCSE maintain the number of pupils that select arts.

Trends in arts subjects in schools with increased EBacc entry July 2017



Further Information

Search EBacc on GOV.UK for more information.

You should also get in touch with your child's school directly — they will be able to tell you about their specific GCSE and EBacc offer and explain all of your child's options.

What Will I Study?

What subjects do I study in Years 9, 10 and 11?

GCSEs in English Language and Literature

GCSE Dual Award Combined Science or Triple Science

GCSE Maths

PE

Plus your options

The Small Print

Please remember:

- Students will follow a guided curriculum that will permit them to achieve the highest possible grades at the end of Year 11. The school reserves the rights to change the subjects or qualification students' study if they do not permit them to achieve the best possible grades at the end of Year 11.
- Not all combinations of subjects are possible.
- There is a limit to the numbers in some subjects.
- If too few students select a subject, the course may be cancelled.

Where Will My Subject Take Me?

UNIVERSITY,
APPRENTICESHIP
OR WORK

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2 YEAR A LEVEL COURSE

2 YEAR COURSE
BTEC

Plus GCSE English and/or Maths
retake. If a minimum grade 4 has not
been achieved

Work experience will be included in
this course.

5 GCSES
GRADES 5-9

5 GCSES
GRADES 4-9

A LEVEL ROUTE

(min 4 at English Lang. and Maths. GCSE
grade 6 required in chosen A Level subject)

BTEC ROUTE
LEVEL 3

5 GCSEs at 4-9 (min 3 at English Lang.
and Maths and grade 4 in subject being
followed.)

JOIN THE SIXTH FORM AT ALEC REED ACADEMY

GCSEs or
BTECs LEVEL 2

Subjects and grades required will depend on whether you are choosing: A Levels;
Combined A Levels/BTEC; or BTEC route.

Progression to Sixth Form

A Level

5 x 9-6 GCSEs (APS 4.5 - 5)

GCSE grade 6 in the subject you wish to study (grade 7 required for Physics, unless studying A Level Maths)

Grade 6 in English Language and Maths required

Please look at specific subject requirements for all subjects

A Level & BTEC

5 x 9-4 GCSEs (APS 4.5 - 5)

You need a grade 6 at GCSE for the A Level you wish to follow

Grade 4 in English Language and Maths required

Students will pick one A Level alongside a BTEC Diploma

BTEC Level 3

5 x 9-4 GCSEs (APS 3.5)

Grade 3 in English Language and Maths required

National Diploma = 2 A Levels
National Extended Certificate = 1 A Level

Science at grade 4-4 (Trilogy) required for certain subjects

BTEC Level 2

Minimum 4 GCSEs or equivalent BTEC passes (including English Language and Maths)



GCSE Art

Aged 16

Further Education

If you achieve 5 grades 4-9 GCSEs with a 6 in Art, you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study A-Level Art.

If you achieve 5 GCSE 4-9s and a minimum grade 4 in English Language you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 3 in Art & Design.

If you achieve 4 GCSE passes you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 2 Certificate in Art & Design.

If you achieve less than 4 GCSE passes you could move on to study a course at College.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

There are a limited number of work-based training opportunities at this stage. You could find full time employment in customer services, sales, hospitality & catering.

Aged 18-19: Having Gained a Level 3 Qualification

Higher Education:

- Study a degree at University
- Study a HND/HNC at college

Course Examples:

- Architecture
- Graphic Design
- Marketing and Advertising
- Television Production
- Fashion Design
- Product Design
- Automotive Design

Note: Minimum GCSE grade 4 usually required in English Language and Maths. Some degree courses require specific subject combinations.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

- Graphic Design
- Sign maker
- Design Assistant/Trainee
- Trainee Technical Illustrator
- Design Assistant
- Junior Artworker
- Desktop Publishing Assistant
- Technical Illustrator
- Junior Graphic Designer
- Junior Product Designer
- Assistant Copywriter

Aged 21: Having Completed Higher Education

Careers:

- Architect
- Graphic Designer
- Interior Designer
- Product Designer
- Art Teacher
- Animation
- Special/Visual Effects Designer
- TV Production Assistant
- Artist
- Web Designer
- Fashion Designer
- Marketing Consultant
- Buying assistant
- Textile Designer
- Set Designer
- Sculptor
- Teacher
- Illustrator
- Photographer
- Ceramist
- Museum Curator



GCSE/BTEC Business Studies

Aged 16

Further Education

If you achieve 5 GCSE grades 4-9 with a 6 in Business, you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study the A-Level in Business Studies.

If you achieve 5 GCSE grades 4-9 and a minimum grade 3 in English you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 3 in:

- Business
- Information Technology
- Health & Social Care
- Sports Studies
- Art & Design
- Performing Arts & Dance
- Music Production

If you achieve 4 GCSE passes you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 2.

If you achieve less than 4 GCSE passes you could move on to study a Level 1 course at College.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

You could find full time employment/training as a Admin Assistant, Customer Sales Representative, Cashier, Customer Adviser, Receptionist, Sales Assistant and Business / IT Support Administrator.

Aged 18-19: Having Gained a Level 3 Qualification

Higher Education:

- Study a degree at University
- Study a HND/HNC at college

Course Examples:

- International Business
- Economics
- Marketing
- Business Management
- Banking and Finance
- Retail Marketing Management

Note: Minimum GCSE grade 4 usually required in English Language and Maths. Some degree courses require specific subject combinations.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

- Finance Assistant
- Administration Supervisors
- Claims Handler
- Customer Service Adviser
- Financial Advice Administrator
- Settlements Administrator
- Cashier
- Foreign Currency Advisers
- Accounting Technician

Company School and College leaver programme

Assurance or Public Services Assurance

Aged 21: Having Completed Higher Education

Careers:

- Financial Adviser
- Business Development
- Executive
- Teacher
- Market Researcher
- Marketing Executive
- Credit & Risk Analyst
- Banker
- Consultant
- Financial Analyst
- Mortgage Adviser
- Management Trainee



GCSE Computer Science

Aged 16

Further Education

If you achieve 5 GCSE grades 4-9 with a 6 in Computing and a 6 in Maths, you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study A-Level Computing.

If you achieve 5 GCSE grades 4-9 and a minimum grade 4 in English you could progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 3 in ICT and Business.

If you achieve less than 4 GCSE passes you could move on to study a Level 1 course at College.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

You could find full time employment/training as an Admin Assistant, Customer Adviser, Receptionist and Sales Assistant.

Aged 18-19: Having Gained a Level 3 Qualification

Higher Education:

- Study a degree at University
- Study a HND/HNC at college

Course Examples:

- Computer Science
- Games Programming
- Artificial Intelligence
- Computer Systems Engineering
- Telecommunications Engineering

Note: Minimum GCSE grade 4 usually required in English Language. Some degree courses require specific subject combinations.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

- Support Technician
- Website Administrator
- Helpdesk Professional
- Desktop Support Engineer
- Database Administrative Assistant
- IT Security Analyst

Aged 21: Having Completed Higher Education

Careers:

- IT Consultant
- Systems Engineer
- Computer Analyst
- Software Engineer
- Programmer
- Network Engineer
- Web Developer
- Network Manager
- Hardware Developer
- Multimedia Creator
- Communications Facilitator
- Game Developer



GCSE Dance

Aged 16

Further Education

If you achieve 5 GCSE grades 4-9 and a minimum grade 4 in English you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 3 in Performing Arts & Dance and Music Technology.

If you achieve 4 GCSE passes you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 2 in Performing Arts and Music Technology.

If you achieve less than 4 GCSE passes you could move on to study a Level 1 course at College.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

You could find full time employment/training as an Admin Assistant, Community Arts Administration Assistant, Customer Adviser, Receptionist, Runner and Sales Assistant.

Aged 18-19: Having Gained a Level 3 Qualification

Higher Education:

- Study a degree at University
- Study a HND/HNC at college

Course Examples:

- Dance
- Dance Education
- Theatre Studies
- Stage Management
- Directing and technical theatre management

Note: Minimum GCSE grade 4 usually required in English Language. Some degree courses require specific subject combinations.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

- Dancer
- Choreographer
- Production runner/assistant
- Instructor
- Junior researcher
- Fitness instructor
- Back stage theatre

Aged 21: Having Completed Higher Education

Careers:

- Dancer
- Dance Instructor
- Artistic Director
- Teacher
- Assistant Production Manager
- PR Officer
- Choreographer
- Arts Management



GCSE Drama

Aged 16

Further Education

If you achieve 5 GCSE grades 4-9 with a 6 in Drama, you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study A-Level Drama & Theatre Studies.

If you achieve 5 GCSE grades 4-9 and a minimum grade 4 in English Language you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 3 in Performing Arts & Dance and Music Technology.

If you achieve 4 GCSE passes you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 2 in Performing Arts and Music Technology.

If you achieve less than 4 GCSE passes you could move on to study a Level 1 course at College.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

You could find full time employment/training as an Admin Assistant, Community Arts Administration Assistant, Customer Adviser, Receptionist, Runner, Sales Assistant, Technical Theatre Apprenticeship.

Aged 18-19: Having Gained a Level 3 Qualification

Higher Education:

- Study a degree at University
- Study a HND/HNC at college

Course Examples:

- Acting
- Drama
- Theatre Studies
- Stage Management
- Directing and technical theatre management

Note: Minimum GCSE grade 4 usually required in English Language. Some degree courses require specific subject combinations.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

- Production runner/assistant
- Broadcast assistant
- Post production runner
- Junior researcher
- Technical Theatre Apprenticeship.

Aged 21: Having Completed Higher Education

Careers:

- Actor
- Artistic Director
- Teacher
- Playwright
- Lighting or Sound Technician
- Arts Management
- Stage Manager
- Director
- Producer



GCSE Food Technology

Aged 16

Further Education

If you achieve 5 x 4-9 GCSEs, you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study a level 3 course.

If you achieve 3 to 4 x 4-9 GCSEs with a relevant Level 2 in a catering and hospitality course, you can progress on to study a Level 3 Advanced Technical Diploma in Professional Cookery.

If you achieve 2 to 4 x 4-9 GCSEs and a minimum grade 4 in English and Maths or functional skills in English and maths, you could progress on to a Sixth Form or College to study a Level 2 Certificate or NVQ.

If you achieve less than 4 GCSE passes you could move on to study a Level 1 course at College.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

You could find full time employment/training as a Catering Assistant, Apprentice Chef, Hospitality Apprentice, Front of House Apprentice, Kitchen Porter, Receptionist, Kitchen Assistant and Admin Assistant.

Aged 18-19: Having Gained a Level 3 Qualification

Higher Education:

- Study a HND/HNC at college
- Study a degree at University

Course Examples:

- Food Science
- Food Technology
- Food, Nutrition and Health
- Nutrition
- Culinary Science
- Food Bioscience
- Biotechnology
- Environmental Science
- Food Engineering
- Food Microbiology

Note: Minimum GCSE grade 4 usually required in English Language. Some degree courses require specific subject combinations.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

- Apprentice Chef
- Food Manufacturing
- Production Processing Manager
- Skilled Technical Operative
- Automated Plant Baker
- Retail Baker
- Hospitality Apprentice
- Front of House Apprentice
- Assistant Baker
- Junior (Commis) Chef
- Junior Pastry Chef
- Mixologist Trainee
- Advanced Food Technology
- Supply Chain Professionalist

Aged 21: Having Completed Higher Education

Careers:

- Food Technologist
- Food Scientists
- Nutrition Specialist
- Production Processing Manager
- Graduate Consultant
- Food Science Technologist
- Food Safety Technologist
- Technical and New Product Development Assistant
- Conformance Manager
- Laboratory and Hygiene Specialist
- Category Supply Lead
- Skilled Technical Operative
- Analytical Technician
- Development Technologist
- Research & Development Scientist



GCSE Geography

Aged 16

Further Education

If you achieve 5 GCSE grades 4-9 with a 6 in Geography, you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study A-Level Geography or Sociology.

If you achieve 5 GCSE 4-9 and a minimum grade 4 in English Language you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 3 in IT.

If you achieve 4 GCSE passes you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 2.

If you achieve less than 4 GCSE passes you could move on to study a Level 1 course at College.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

You could find full time employment/training as a Admin Assistant, Cashier, Customer Adviser, Receptionist, Sales Assistant and Business / IT Support Administrator.

Aged 18-19: Having Gained a Level 3 Qualification

Higher Education:

- Study a degree at University
- Study a HND/HNC at college

Course Examples:

- Geography
- Environmental Technology
- Forensic and Crime Scene Investigation
- Real Estate Management
- Human Resource Management
- Planning
- Urban Regeneration

Note: Minimum GCSE grade 4 usually required in English Language and Maths. Some degree courses require specific subject combinations.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

- Renewable Energy Home Advisors
- Logistics Agent
- Conference & Banqueting
- Sales Assistant
- Customer Service Adviser
- Data Collection Representatives
- Travel Agent
- Highways Engineer

Aged 21: Having Completed Higher Education

Careers:

- Environmental management
- Business Development
- Manager for Renewable Energy
- Archaeologist
- Environmental Health Officer
- Project Manager
- Teacher
- Journalism
- Analyst
- Conservation Officer
- Land Surveyor
- Oceanographer
- Civil Engineer
- Town Planner
- Weather Forecaster/ Meteorologist
- Ecologist
- Management Consultant
- Lawyer



GCSE Graphics (Art GCSE)

Aged 16

Further Education

If you achieve 5 GCSE grades 4-9 and a minimum grade 4 in English you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 3 in:

- IT
- Applied Science
- Business

If you achieve 4 GCSE passes you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 2.

If you achieve less than 4 GCSE passes you could move on to study a Level 1 course at College.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

You could find full time employment/training as a Design Assistant/Trainee, Trainee Technical Illustrator, Trainee Technical Graphic Design Assistant, Junior Art worker, Desktop Publishing Assistant.

Aged 18-19: Having Gained a Level 3 Qualification

Higher Education:

- Study a degree at University
- Study a HND/HNC at college

Course Examples:

- Product Design
- Graphic Design
- Interior Design

Note: Minimum GCSE grade 4 usually required in English Language and Maths. Some degree courses require specific subject combinations.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

- Junior Graphic Designer
- Junior Product Designer
- Assistant Copywriter
- Sign maker
- Trainee Technical Illustrator
- Trainee Technical Graphic
- Design Assistant
- Desktop Publishing Assistant

Aged 21: Having Completed Higher Education

Careers:

- Website/Graphic Designer
- Product Designer
- Computer Games Design
- Technical Illustrator



BTEC Level 2 Tech Award Health & Social Care

Aged 16

Further Education

If you achieve 5 GCSEs grades 4-9 and a minimum grade 4 in English Language you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 3 in Health & Social Care.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

You could find full time employment/training as an Care assistant, Early Years Worker/Assistant, Customer Adviser and Sales Assistant or Classroom Assistant.

Aged 18-19: Having Gained a Level 3 Qualification

Higher Education:

- Study a degree at University
- Study a HND/HNC at college

Course Examples:

- Adult Nursing
- Social Work
- Education and Child Development
- Children's Nursing

Employment & Apprenticeship:

- Healthcare assistant
- Classroom Assistant
- Nursery Worker
- Healthcare Support Service Worker
- Personal assistant
- Relief team worker
- Home care support worker
- Substance misuse worker
- Community outreach worker

Aged 21: Having Completed Higher Education

Careers:

- Nurse
- Senior healthcare assistant
- Care officer
- Supervising care worker
- Social services officer
- Outreach development worker
- Family support worker
- Teacher
- Social Worker
- Dietitian
- Occupational Therapist
- Counsellor
- Speech and Language
- Therapist
- Police Officer



GCSE History

Aged 16

Further Education

If you achieve 5 GCSE grades 4-9 with a 6 in History, you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study A-Level Modern History or Government & Politics.

If you achieve 5 GCSE grades 4-9 and a minimum grade 5 in English Language you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 3 in IT.

If you achieve 4 GCSE passes you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 2.

If you achieve less than 4 GCSE passes you could move on to study a Level 1 course at College.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

You could find full time employment/training as a Admin Assistant, Cashier, Customer Adviser, Receptionist, Sales Assistant and Business / IT Support Administrator.

Aged 18-19: Having Gained a Level 3 Qualification

Higher Education:

- Study a degree at University
- Study a HND/HNC at college

Course Examples:

- History
- Law
- Museum Studies
- World Politics
- Broadcast Journalism
- Medicine

Note: Minimum GCSE grade 4 usually required in English Language and Maths. Some degree courses require specific subject combinations.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

- Tourism Officer
- Museum Attendant
- Archivist
- Librarian

Aged 21: Having Completed Higher Education

Careers:

- Lawyer
- Solicitor
- Human Resource Adviser
- Management Trainee
- Recruitment Consultant
- Legal Executive
- Researcher
- City Councillor
- TV or Radio Presenter
- Journalist
- Writer
- Investment Analyst
- Teacher



GCSE MFL: Spanish & French

Aged 16

Further Education

If you achieve 5 GCSE grades 4-9 with a grade 6 in the language you want to study, you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study the language at A-Level.

If you achieve 5 GCSE grades 4-9 and a minimum grade 4 in English Language you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 3 in Business.

If you achieve 4 GCSE passes you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 2 in Business.

If you achieve less than 4 GCSE passes you could move on to study a Level 1 course at College.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

You could find full time employment/training as an Admin Assistant, Customer Adviser, Receptionist, Sales Assistant, and Leisure Travel Consultant.

Aged 18-19: Having Gained a Level 3 Qualification

Higher Education:

- Study a degree at University
- Study a HND/HNC at college

Course Examples:

- Modern Languages
- International Business
- International Business Management & Modern Languages
- Tourism Management

Note: Minimum GCSE grade 4 usually required in English Language. Some degree courses require specific subject combinations.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

- Passenger service agent
- Customer Service Adviser
- Bookings or Reservations Administrator
- Air Cabin Crew

Aged 21: Having Completed Higher Education

Careers:

- Recruitment Consultant
- Translator
- Interpreter
- Broadcast Journalist
- Teacher
- Customer Services Officer
- Tour Guide
- ESOL Teacher
- Holiday Representative
- PR Officer
- Foreign Diplomat
- Careers in the UN
- Careers in airlines
- Creating Voice overs/ subtitles
- The opportunity to work in a range of countries around the world that other subjects may not give you.



GCSE Music

Aged 16

Further Education

If you achieve 5 GCSE grades 4-9 and a minimum grade 4 in English Language you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 3 in Music Technology.

If you achieve 4 GCSE passes you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 2 in Music.

If you achieve less than 4 GCSE passes you could move on to study a Level 1 course at College.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

You could find full time employment/training as an Admin Assistant, Sound Technician Assistant, Production Assistant, Cashier, Customer Adviser, Receptionist, Runner, Sales Assistant.

Aged 18-19: Having Gained a Level 3 Qualification

Higher Education:

- Study a degree at University
- Study a HND/HNC at college

Course Examples:

- Music Technology
- Creative and Digital Media
- Sound technology
- Music Production

Note: Minimum GCSE grade 4 usually required in English Language. Some degree courses require specific subject combinations.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

- Creative and digital media
- Production sound mixer
- Post-production sound technician
- Examiner
- AV Technician
- Publisher
- Author
- DJ
- Broadcaster

Aged 21: Having Completed Higher Education

Careers:

- Sound Engineer
- Sound Designer
- Broadcast Assistants
- Assistant Editor
- Production Trainee
- Session Musician
- Class Music Teacher
- Instrument Teacher
- Music Journalist
- Composer
- Performer
- Songwriter



GCSE PE

Aged 16

Further Education

If you achieve 5 GCSE grades 4-9 with a 6 in PE, you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study A-Level PE.

If you achieve 5 GCSE grades 4-9 and a minimum grade 4 in English Language you could progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 3 in Sport or Sport Development Coaching and Fitness.

If you achieve 4 GCSE passes you could progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 2 in Sports Studies.

If you achieve less than 4 GCSE passes you could move on to study a Level 1 course at College.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

You could find full time employment/training as a Sports and Leisure Assistant, Gym Instructor, Sports Coach, Sports Player, Youth and Community Worker, Fitness Instructor and Sales Assistant.

Aged 18-19: Having Gained a Level 3 Qualification

Higher Education:

- Study a degree at University
- Study a HND/HNC at college

Course Examples:

- Sports Science
- Sport Nutrition
- Sports Development
- Exercise Science
- Sports Therapy
- Physiotherapy

Note: Minimum GCSE grade 4 usually required in English Language. Some degree courses require specific subject combinations.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

- Leisure and Sports Assistant
- Youth and Community Workers
- Sports Players, Coaches and Officials
- Fitness Instructors

Aged 21: Having Completed Higher Education

Careers:

- Sports Scientist
- HE Teaching Professional
- FE Teaching Professional
- Secondary Education Teaching Professional
- Physiotherapist
- Sports Coach
- Sports Development Officer



BTEC Sport

Aged 16

Further Education

If you achieve 5 GCSE grades 4-9 and a minimum grade 4 in English Language you could progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 3 in Sport or Sport Development Coaching and Fitness.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

You could find full time employment/training as a Sports and Leisure Assistant, Gym Instructor, Sports Coach, Sports Player, Youth and Community Worker, Fitness Instructor and Sales Assistant.

Aged 18-19: Having Gained a Level 3 Qualification

Higher Education:

- Study a degree at University
- Study a HND/HNC at college

Course Examples:

- Sports Development
- Exercise Science
- Sports Science
- Sport Nutrition
- Sports Therapy

Note: Minimum GCSE grade 4 usually required in English Language. Some degree courses require specific subject combinations.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

- Leisure and Sports Assistant
- Youth and Community Workers
- Sports Players, Coaches and Officials
- Fitness Instructors

Aged 21: Having Completed Higher Education

Careers:

- Sports Scientist
- HE Teaching Professional
- FE Teaching Professional
- Secondary Education Teaching Professional
- Physiotherapist
- Sports Coach
- Sports Development Officer



GCSE Triple Science

Aged 16

Further Education

If you achieve 5 GCSE grades 4-9 with a 6:6 in Science, you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study A-Level Biology, Chemistry or Physics.

If you achieve 5 GCSE grades 4-9 and a minimum grade 6 in both English Language and Maths you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 3 in Applied Science and Health & Social Care

If you achieve 4 GCSE passes you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 2 in Applied Science and Health & Social Care.

If you achieve less than 4 GCSE passes you could move on to study a Level 1 course at College

Employment & Apprenticeship:

You could find full time employment/training as an Electrical Fitter, Care assistant, Library Assistant, Office Junior, Cashier, Motor Vehicle Technician, Early Years Worker/ Assistant, Customer Adviser, Plumber and Sales Assistant.

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Course Examples:

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- Architecture
- Pharmacy
- Mechanical Engineering
- Optometry
- Law
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Aeronautical Engineering
- Nutrition

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Employment & Apprenticeship:

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- Motor Mechanic
- Service and Maintenance Trainee Engineer
- Classroom Assistant
- Building Surveyor Technician
- IT Helpdesk Professional
- Electronics Service Rep.
- Gas Installation &
- Maintenance Engineer
- Assistant Administrator

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Careers:

- Architect
- Research Assistant
- Teacher
- Management Consultant
- Recruitment Consultant
- Doctor
- Optometrist
- Nurse
- Mechanical Engineer
- Chemical Engineer
- Electronic Engineer
- Nutritionist
- Pathologist
- Radiographer
- Physicist
- Biologist
- Chemist
- Analyst

R.E. GCSE

Aged 16

Further Education

If you achieve 5 GCSE grades 4-9 with a 6 in English, you could progress on to the Sixth Form to study A-Level Sociology, Government & Politics and Psychology.

If you achieve 5 GCSE grades 4-9 and a minimum grade 4 in English you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 3 in Business, Health & Social Care, Performing Arts and IT.

If you achieve 4 GCSE passes you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 2.

If you achieve less than 4 GCSE passes you could move on to study a Level 1 course at College.

Employment & Apprenticeship:

You could find full time employment/training as an Office Junior, Admin Assistant, Cashier, Customer Adviser, Receptionist and Sales Assistant.

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Course Examples:

- Religion and Politics
- Religious Studies
- Religion and Sociology
- Theology and Religious Studies
- Philosophy and Religion

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Employment & Apprenticeship:

- Information Officer
- Librarian
- Assistant Administrator
- Youth worker
- Classroom Assistant
- Behaviour Support Assistant
- Secretary
- Sales Assistant
- Archivist

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Careers:

- Priest
- Public Relations
- Politician
- Civil Servant
- Public Speaker
- Social work
- Teaching
- Journalism
- Librarian
- Researcher
- Probation service work
- Human Resource Graduate Trainee
- Public Relations Officer

English Language GCSE

Aged 16

Further Education

If you achieve 5 GCSE grades 4-9 with a 6 in English Language, you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study A-Level English Literature, Government & Politics, Media Studies, Psychology and Sociology.

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You could find full time employment/training as an Office Junior, Admin Assistant, Cashier, Customer Adviser, Receptionist, Sales Assistant, Play worker and Travel Adviser.

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Course Examples:

- English Literature
- Law
- Advertising and Marketing
- Psychology
- Sociology
- World Politics
- Journalism
- Medicine

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Employment & Apprenticeship:

- Tourism Officer
- Archivist
- Librarian
- Classroom Assistant
- Behaviour Support Assistant
- Secretary
- Information Officer
- Assistant Administrator
- Junior Marketing Executive

A Level English is also an advantage when applying to a huge range of degrees, jobs and apprenticeships.

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Careers:

- Solicitor
- Management Trainee
- Copywriter
- Recruitment Consultant
- Researcher
- Human Resource Graduate Trainee
- Public Relations Officer
- Editorial Assistant
- Press Officer
- Script Writer
- English Teacher
- Journalist
- Social Worker
- Management Consultant
- Accounts Executive

Because communication and analysis (key skills in English) are highly transferable, almost all graduate training schemes - and many other careers - accept a BA Hons in English.

Maths GCSE

Aged 16

Further Education

If you achieve 5 GCSE grades 4-9 with a 6 in Maths, you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study A-Level Mathematics and Economics

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Employment & Apprenticeship:

You could find full time employment/training as a Payroll Assistant, Payroll Administrator, Cashier, Bookkeeping Assistant, and Customer Adviser.

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Higher Education:

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Course Examples:

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- Mathematics
- Economics
- Law
- Medicine
- Business Management
- Banking and Finance
- Mechanical Engineering
- Civil Engineering

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Employment & Apprenticeship:

- Finance Assistant
- Cashier
- Foreign Currency Advisers
- Administration Supervisors
- Claims Handler
- Customer Service Adviser
- Financial Advice Administrator
- Settlements Administrator
- Credit & Risk Assistant
- Customer Adviser
- Underwriter
- Broker
- Accounting Technician

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Careers:

- Accountant
- Architect
- Investment Banker
- Financial Adviser
- Solicitor
- Doctor
- Teacher
- Computer Engineer
- Mechanical Engineer
- Civil Engineer
- Economist
- Actuary

Dual Award Combined Science GCSE

Aged 16

Further Education

If you achieve 5 GCSE grades 4-9 with a 6 in Science, you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study A-Level Biology, Chemistry or Physics.

If you achieve 5 GCSE grades 4-9 and a minimum grade 4 in English Language you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 3 in Applied Science and Health & Social Care

If you achieve 4 GCSE passes you can progress on to the Sixth Form to study a BTEC Level 2 in Applied Science and Health & Social Care.

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