

Student Achievement 2016

Pass rate: 100% • D*D*-DM Grades: 89%

This is a practical and challenging two year programme of study, equivalent to three A Levels. This course covers general units such as Employability Skills, Spread Sheet and Database Design and specialised aspects of Information Technology, such as Programming, Animation and Web Design.

Level: Level 3

Specific Course Entry Requirements

College entry. You do not need to have studied Computer Science at GCSE or BTEC Information and Communication Technology. However, if you have studied these courses we would expect you to have obtained at least a Grade C or Merit (please refer to the Entry Requirements section page 24 for further details).

What will I study?

Topics that are studied include Digital Graphics, Computer Systems, Installing Hard and Software, Software Development using Visual Basic, Systems Analysis, Principles of Computer Networks, Client Side Customisation of Web Pages, Animation and Games Design.

The BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma Information and Communication Technology is the most focused IT qualification that is available at this level. It is very practical in nature and is taught by staff with many years of experience. Students will find it both challenging and rewarding.

The practical aspect of this course provides the relevant skills that employers want.

How will I be assessed?

60% coursework
40% task or written examination which is externally assessed

Where will this course lead me?

The course prepares you for progression to a Foundation Degree or an Honours Degree in Computing or IT. It is also a stepping stone to employment in the IT industry. Career options may include Software Engineering, Technical Support, Systems Analysis or Network Engineering.

What support will I receive?

The department staff are friendly and approachable and are always willing to give support and advice. There are weekly sessions to support those with questions related to coursework issues.

What is the department like?

The department is staffed by five tutors who have a range of experience in both education and industry and are very approachable. They are ambitious and work hard to enable all students to achieve their potential. Tutors will arrange additional catch up sessions or offer one to one advice during lunch or after college if required. If you need to speak to them outside of lessons they can be contacted by visiting the staff base or by e-mail.

Enrichment opportunities

Students have been able to visit the National Museum of Computing and have entered a national competition for animation.

Head of Department

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Tutors

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