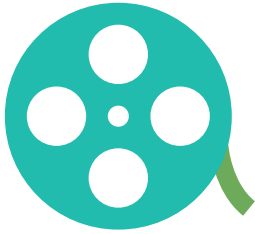

BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate Performing Arts - Acting





This course is a highly regarded practical Performing Arts qualification. As such, there are clear links with professional actors, directors and writers from the professional world. In recent years, the course has been enriched by these links. Workshops by West-End theatre professionals such as the director in charge of *Les Miserables* and leading actors from stage and screen have allowed students to receive real life experience of the Performing Arts world.

Level Level 3

Specific course entry requirements

College entry plus either:

- + GCSE Drama or a performing arts subject (minimum grade 4)
- + Related experience in performing arts inside/outside of school
- + By audition

What will I study?

On this course you will complete written research and develop practical acting skills. During the two years of the course, you will complete 3 mandatory units: Investigating Practitioners' Work, Developing Skills and Techniques for Live Performance and Group Performance Workshop. There will also be one further unit chosen by the department.

How will I be assessed?

The Extended Certificate in Acting is assessed through a range of written and practical assignments, including a written examination. 58% of the student's work is externally marked and the rest is internally assessed. Where there is practical work, you must be prepared to perform in front of a public audience as well as peers.

Where will this course lead me?

The BTEC Extended Certificate in Performing Arts is valued by employers and universities alike. The course can be used as sound preparation for further study of performing arts at a drama school or university course. Recent leavers have gone on to study at Rose Bruford Drama School, Guildford School of Acting and various universities (including UCLan, Manchester Metropolitan University etc.) to study performing arts or related areas such as stage make-up, teaching and film production.

Other career pathways from studying performing arts related courses have been:

Teaching fashion, Journalism, PE, Sport Science, English, Law, Psychology, counselling with drama skills, stage make-up, Sociology and Social Media Marketing.

Students have gone on to study at Northern Ballet School, Lincoln, Edge Hill, Salford, Chester, London School of Musical Theatre, UCLan, East 15 and Guildford.

*Please note this course cannot be combined with BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Performing Arts (Dance).

