

SUBJECT: ICT

QUALIFICATION: **BTEC**

QUALIFICATION LEVEL: **Level 3**

QUALIFICATION TYPE: **Advanced Subsidiary Diploma**

AWARDING BODY: **Edexcel**

CATEGORY: **IT Practitioners**

Qualification Accreditation Number (QAN): 10057845

DESCRIPTION

The Edexcel Subsidiary Diploma consists of two core units plus four specialist units. The qualification is equivalent to 1 GCE A level.

It provides vocational emphasis for learners and can be used to extend a programme of study at level 3 and to focus on particular aspects of employment in the ICT sector.

WHAT WILL I LEARN?

You will complete the following four units;

Unit 1: Communication and Employability Skills for IT
Unit 2: Computer Systems
Unit 6: Advanced Spreadsheet Skills
Unit 21: Website Production and Management

In addition, you will complete two units from the following list;

Unit 3: Information Systems
Unit 7: Advanced Database Skills
Unit 26: Computer Animation
Unit 34: E-commerce
Unit 29: IT Systems Troubleshooting and Repair
Unit 20: Event Driven Programming

WHAT ARE THE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS?

At least a **Grade C** in ICT at GCSE level or an equivalent qualification such as DIDA or BTEC level 2 **plus** four other GCSEs (or equivalent) graded C or above.

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

Each unit will be assessed through the production of a portfolio of evidence

consisting of one or more assignments.

These will be assessed and moderated by your teachers and externally verified by Edexcel.

WHAT ARE THE COSTS?

In order to be successful on this programme, we would emphasise the need for access to a computer with Internet access outside the school environment.

We would also recommend the purchase of a USB memory stick or similar device.

FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES?

On successful completion of your BTEC there may be opportunities for employment within the computer games, product development, technical support and telecommunications industries.

As the BTEC has the equivalence of a GCE A level, it is also possible to progress into higher education using the UCAS points ascribed to the award.

FURTHER INFORMATION

This is a **TWO** year commitment. Whilst individual units can be accredited they do not carry a UCAS award unless you successfully complete the whole qualification.

You can access the full specification at www.edexcel.org.uk