

BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Information Technology

Awarding body:

Pearson

Method of assessment
End of Year 12
AS Level:

Unit 2: Creating Systems to Manage Information. A task set and marked by Pearson and completed under supervised conditions.

- In part A, learners will be provided with a brief to complete five activities in the set task in three hours on the afternoon of the first day.
- In part B, learners will be provided with a brief to complete three activities in the set task in two hours on the morning of the second day.
- Completed using a computer and submitted electronically.
- 66 marks.

Unit 3: Using social media in business

- Learners carry out an investigation, documenting their findings

Method of assessment
End of Year 13
A Level:

AS Material and assessments plus:
Unit 1: Information Technology Systems – External Assessment

- Examination – 2 hours – 90 Marks

Unit 5: Data Modelling

- Learners carry out an investigation, documenting their findings

Course entry requirement:

5 X Grad 4 at GCSE including English and Maths

Course description and what it will be like:

Pearson has developed the content of the new BTEC Nationals in collaboration with employers and representatives from higher education and relevant professional bodies. In this way, we have ensured that the computing course content is up to date and that it includes the knowledge, understanding, skills and attributes required in the ICT and business sectors.

Specification and Units of Study:

Year 12 Advanced Subsidiary Units

Unit 2: Creating Systems to Manage Information
Unit 3: Using social media in business

Year 13 Advanced Units

Unit 1: Information Technology Systems

Unit 5: Data Modelling

Opportunities for Progression and Careers Prospects:

Those looking to study BTEC qualification in ICT are able to progress directly into the world of work in the IT sector through direct job applications or through apprenticeship schemes. Alternatively the course is fully qualified against the UCAS tariff points and will lead students into Higher education in the Computer Science and ICT fields.