

BTEC National Certificate Level 3 Applied Science

Below you will find some information regarding the BTEC Applied Science course. Please note that there are some specific requirements for accessing this course. If you have any questions about this course or the entry requirements then please speak to us.

What is covered?

Over the two years you will cover the following within four units:

- Principles and Applications of Science (written exam).
- Practical Scientific Procedures and Techniques (assignments – set and marked internally).
- Science Investigation Skills (task – set and marked by the exam board).
- Optional unit (assignments – set and marked internally).

What does the course involve?

BTEC Applied Science is an extended certificate qualification providing a unique opportunity for students to continue their study of all the sciences past GCSE whilst leaving freedom of choice in other areas of the curriculum. The subject also complements and enhances understanding of many other subjects such as health and social care, sports studies, geography and business.

The specifications are based on what scientists actually do, providing an insight into their jobs, as well as offering a challenging and rewarding academic programme. The course requires commitment and the ability to set targets in order to meet assignment deadlines. It provides the academic qualifications needed for entry to higher education and equips students with the skills required for further studies or employment.

Quick course facts

You should have a minimum of five GCSEs graded at level 4 or above, including English Language and Mathematics as well as a level 4 in all Science subjects.

Key skills you will need include the ability to produce extended pieces of writing.

The course will prepare you for entry to science related degrees or complement other further vocational courses.

This is a challenging and rewarding academic programme.

The vocational approach offers you plenty of opportunities to experience the scientific environment.

