

BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Performing Arts (Acting)

Examination Board: Pearson

What is a BTEC Level 3 Diploma?

A BTEC Level 3 is a practical, work-related course. You learn by completing projects and assignments that are based on realistic workplace situations, activities and demands. As well as learning about the employment area you have chosen, you develop the skills you need to start a career.

It is equivalent to two A levels which means when you have finished the course you can choose whether to get a job straight away or go into higher education first.

What is the course structure?

The course is made up of 8 units – six core units which are compulsory and two further specialist units. The specialist units enable you to study particular areas in depth.

What subjects will I study?

All students take the six mandatory units:

- Unit 1 – Investigating Practitioners Work (Controlled Assessment)
- Unit 2 – Developing Skills and Techniques for Live Performance
- Unit 3 – Group Performance Workshop
- Unit 4 – Performing Arts in the Community
- Unit 5 – Individual Performance Commission (Controlled Assessment)
- Unit 6 – Final Live Performance to an Audience

The two specialist units are:

- Unit 19 – Acting Styles
- Unit 28 – Variety Performance

How is the course assessed?

Most units are assessed and graded internally, then externally moderated. Unit 1, 3 and 5 are assessed externally and an overall grade for the qualification is awarded.

What can I do at the end of the course?

BTEC Diplomas are valued by employers and higher education (universities and colleges). We have 100% success rate of students being offered excellent university places based on their BTEC results and experience.

If you want to get a job straight away, you could work in:

- Administration or marketing within the Performing Arts industry
- Theatre
- Entertainment
- Performance support
- Workshop leadership and support
- Theatre and education

If you decide to go to university or college you could take a degree or a BTEC Higher National in subjects such as:

- *Acting Studies*
- *Performing Arts (Acting)*
- *Drama (Performance)*
- *Drama and education*
- *Technical theatre and production*

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