
PERFORMING ARTS

Exam Board: Pearsons



Aims of the Course

If you are excited about the world of theatre and are dedicated to acting, then you will enjoy this Btec Level 3 course. It is the equivalent of two A Levels and can be studied alongside one other A Level course. The units cross the acting and musical theatre disciplines.

You will develop all-round performance skills and transferable skills such as self-confidence, self-presentation, personal discipline, time management and organisation, which are highly regarded by higher education and employers.

Other key skills are: communication – performing, communicating and presenting ideas to an audience

Collaboration – with a focus on self-management, teamwork and participation in group performance to develop your collaborative skills and confidence .

Types of Learning Experiences:

There is a strong emphasis on practical acting methods and opportunities to develop skills in creativity and performance. You will explore existing practitioners as well as developing your own technique through group pieces and live performance. You will be required to undertake a lot of independent research into what it takes to be an actor. You will need to have confidence in yourself as an actor and have an ability to participate in a range of practical acting workshops to develop skills and acting techniques. You will have to carry out a lot of independent research through the 2 years.

Students will study 8 units of which 6 are mandatory and 3 are externally assessed.

Mandatory content (83%). External assessment (46%).

Link Subjects:

Music
Drama and Theatre
Film Studies
Media Studies
English Literature
English Language
Sociology
Psychology
History

Progression to Higher Education:

The level 3 Extended Diploma is Equivalent in size to two A Levels. It can be studied alone or alongside an additional A Level

You will also be able to progress on to a degree level course in Performing Arts or related fields. Many of the skills are transferable and can be applied to higher level study in many fields or in the world of work

Careers:

. This course provides skills applicable to developing a career in the performing arts industry:

Acting, musical theatre, performance, Film and TV production, Theatre Technician, Hospitality and front-of house, stage manager, drama therapist

Entry requirements:

A minimum of 5 grades 9-4 at GCSE including English and Maths. GCSE English at a grade 5 or above is preferred.



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Students will follow the following units in Year 1:

Mandatory units– externally assessed

- Investigating Practitioners' work
 - Group Performance Workshop
 - Individual Performance Commission
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Mandatory units– internally assessed

- Developing Skills and Techniques for Live Performance
 - Performing Arts in the Community
 - Final Live Performance to an Audience
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Students will follow the following unit in Year 2:

Examples of Optional Units to specialise in Acting and Musical Theatre styles

- Acting Styles
- Developing the voice for performance
- Physical theatre techniques
- Musical theatre techniques
- Theatre Directing

Optional units will be offered according to specialism of available staff and student interest. We reserve the right to select and run the optional units

