



Level 3 in Music

What you will learn:

This is a vocational course, which offers a broad basis of study for the music sector with a focus on performance, developing instrumental technique, music theory and professional practice.

There are some mandatory units, covering basic musicianship skills such as rehearsal and performance skills, music theory and harmony and planning a career in music.

In addition to these mandatory units, students may choose from a selection of extension units which could include

- * solo performance
- * sequencing software skills
- * composing music & lyrics
- * improvisation
- * studio recording & mixing
- * ... and many others

Elements of the course:

With the emphasis on practical music making, this course will appeal to students who wish to develop their playing and singing skills, their musical understanding, theoretical musical knowledge, composition and music technology skills and learn about how music fits in to society and cultures around the world. A knowledge and understanding of how the music industry works will be an important feature of the course and it should appeal to students with a wide range of musical interests.

The course delivery is largely practical in nature and makes full use of the Music department facilities. There are dedicated practice rooms, performance rooms with PA, two recording studios and teaching rooms with computer suites and relevant software.

Where could it take me?

This course will prepare you for **higher education** (university) or **employment**. It will provide an introduction to the study of the **music sector**, and give you the **underpinning knowledge and skills** needed to meet industry requirements. This course develops the **transferable and higher order skills** so highly regarded by **HE and employers**.

Assessment:

Parts of the course are externally assessed. The remainder of the course is assessed by the teacher and then verified by the awarding body.

The results of assessment for all of the units are aggregated and students are awarded a Pass, Merit, Distinction or Distinction*.

Entry Requirements

Minimum Required:

Merit or above in BTEC L2 First Award in Music or Grade 4 or above in GCSE Music. Students who have not studied Music at Key Stage 4 will still be considered for the course if they pass an audition. **Standard Sixth Form entry requirements.**

Preferred Requirements:

Special Requirements: