BTEC in Information Technology
Cardinal Newman School

Overview of the course

BTEC Nationals are widely recognised by industry and higher education as the signature vocational qualification at Level 3. They provide progression to the workplace either directly or via study at a higher level. Proof comes from YouGov research, which shows that 62% of large companies have recruited employees with BTEC qualifications. What's more, well over 100,000 BTEC students apply to UK universities every year and their BTEC Nationals are accepted by over 150 UK universities and higher education institutes for relevant degree programmes either on their own or in combination with A Levels.

Structure of the units

Unit Number	Unit title	Assessment	Content
1	Information Technology Systems	External written Exam	Learners study the role of computer systems and their use in personal and professional situations. Eg. Digital devices, media, new technologies, choosing It systems, etc.
2	Creating systems to Manage Information	External Exam on computer	Learners study the design, creation, testing and evaluation of a database system to manage information.
3	Using Social Media in Business	Internal Coursework	Learners explore how businesses use social media to promote their product and services. Learners also implement social media activities in a business to meet requirements.
6	Website Development	Internal Coursework	Learners investigate website development principles and they design and develop a website using a scripting language (Dreamweaver)

Requirements for the course

Five GCSEs with English and Maths at grade point 4.

What could this qualification lead to?

- HND in Business
- BSc (Hons) in Computer Arts
- BSc (Hons) in Fashion Buying Management
- BSc (Hons) in Software Development for Animation
- BSc (Hons) in Accounting and Business

Grading

Graded as: Pass, Merit, Distinction and Distinction*