



BTEC LEVEL 3 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Extended National Certificate (A level equivalent)

<u>EXAM BOARD</u> Edexcel
<u>CONTENT</u> Information Technology (IT) involves the use of computers in industry, commerce, the arts and elsewhere. IT includes aspects of IT systems architecture, human factors, project management and the general ability to use computers. Increasingly businesses are implementing IT strategies to manage and process data both to support many business processes and to deliver new opportunities. Students have to study two mandatory units in Year 12. In Y13 students study one more mandatory unit and one further optional unit.
<u>COURSE STRUCTURE</u> In Year 1 students study two core units (which is equivalent to half an A 'level): • Creating Systems to Manage Information (externally assessed coursework) • Using Social Media in Business (internally assessed) In Year 2 students complete the qualification to the equivalent of one A' level: • Information Technology Systems (an examined unit) • An optional unit - either data modelling or website development Units are assessed using a grading scale of Distinction, Merit, Pass and Unclassified, the final grade uses a scale of P to D*.
<u>METHOD OF ASSESSMENT</u> <i>58% of the course will be external assessment. One external exam and a 10 hour controlled assessment.</i> <i>42% of the course will be made up of assignment based work</i>
<u>ENTRY REQUIREMENTS</u> A pass if you have studied CIDA. You may still be able to do this course even if you have not studied ICT before.
<i>"It is a very challenging subject which I enjoy a lot."</i>

