

Level 3 Certificate BTEC Tech Award in Music

How is this subject assessed?

A “Tech Award” is the vocational equivalent to standard A-Levels. This means rather than studying for a final exam at the end of sixth form you will be assessed through a range of assessment including written portfolios, presentations and performances.



Who can take this course?

Anyone who has studied a music or performing arts course (that features music) at GCSE level. This includes traditional GCSE, BTEC and Vocational courses.

Subjects areas this course

complements: The Arts, Social Sciences, Religious Studies, Humanities.

Course Grading: Pass – Merit – Distinction – Distinction*



Career and Higher Education

Pathways: Music, Music Technology, Musical Theatre, Sound and Lighting Design, Arts Administration, Stage Management, Sound Engineering, Music Therapy. The skills you will develop on this course will also transfer to many career paths outside of music.

Course Summary



UCAS Website: “Tech levels are rigorous advanced (level 3) technical qualifications on a par with A Levels and recognised by employers. They are for students aged 16 plus who want to specialise in a specific industry or prepare for a particular job. They cover jobs and careers where employers recruit people at this level or where a level 3 qualification is needed before students can progress to a related higher education course. Tech levels give students an opportunity to develop specialist knowledge and skills to help them get an apprenticeship or job.”

Level 3 BTEC Tech Award in Music is a practical-based vocational music course, well-suited to students who took a BTEC or Vocational music course at GCSE level, as well as anyone who took a “traditional GCSE” in music. RSL's qualifications for Music Practitioners are music industry qualifications that will equip students with the skills, knowledge and understanding for entry to employment in the music industry, or progression to further study at a higher level. The qualifications aim to offer practical structured learning with the flexibility to specialise in different disciplines directly relevant to employment within the music industry, including composition, performance, business, and technology. This course is suited to students who have a particular interest in popular music styles.