

# BTEC Level 3 Extended Certificate

# Music



## Why choose to study Music?

This is an exciting, rewarding and challenging new course. It will allow you to build on the skills, knowledge and understanding needed to communicate through music, as well as honing performance-based skills. If you enjoy music performing and composing then this course is absolutely for you! Music develops a range of hugely-transferable skills, which reflect favourably on your personal statements, whether they are for university or employment.

## Entrance Requirements

GCSE Music Grade 1-9 or higher.  
Grade IV standard (or higher) in your chosen instrument or voice.  
A willingness to perform and develop instrumental / vocal skills.



## Course Content

You will study **FOUR** units: 3 Mandatory and 1 Optional:

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| 1. Ensemble Music Performance Techniques (120 GLH)                            | Set and marked at the Bewdley School |
| 2. Practical Music Theory (90 GLH)  | Set and marked by Edexcel            |
| 3. Professional Practice in the Music Industry (90 GLH)                       | Set and marked by Edexcel            |
| 4. Optional units including performance (solo or group) or composing (60 GLH) | Set and marked at the Bewdley School |

## Why BTEC Level?

The BTEC Level 3 Extended Certificate is equivalent to **one A Level**.

The course comprises both internally and externally assessed units.

Students apply learning through a range of practical assessments and study a broad range of music and musical skills.

Edexcel, BTEC and LCCI qualifications are awarded by Pearson, the UK's largest awarding body offering academic and vocational qualifications that are globally recognised and benchmarked.

## Progression Opportunities

More than 100,000 BTEC students apply to UK universities each year.

BTEC students can often be better prepared in terms of the independent studying that's required at degree level, due to the portfolio-based nature of BTEC courses. The time management and self-organisation you will pick up on a BTEC course can also give you an added edge.

The music course requires students to work practically, independently and as a team member; these are valuable skills to employers.

95% of universities accept the BTEC Diplomas as recognised qualifications, and they are especially valued by those offering very practical and vocational degrees in music.

BTEC Music Level 3, when studied alongside other qualifications, supports university entrance as well as leading to careers both in and beyond the music industry.