

Statement of Purpose

500/6540/3 - Pearson BTEC Level 1 Certificate in Art and Design (QCF)

The Pearson BTEC Level 1 Certificate (100 GLH) in Art and Design is a qualification within a suite of BTECs in the Arts sector. It is broadly equivalent in size to one GCSE.

Who is this qualification for?

This qualification is a Technical Award designed for pre-16 students working at level 1 who want to include a study of Art and Design in their broader key stage 4 curriculum. It provides an introduction to some of the key themes in art and design, enabling students to develop and apply their knowledge while also developing a range of relevant practical, communication and technical skills.

The content enables students to apply their knowledge in new and practical contexts.

What will the student study as part of this qualification?

This qualification provides an engaging and relevant introduction to the world of Art and Design. It incorporates aspects of drawing, painting, printmaking, fine art and project work

The qualification consists of a choice of 16 optional units. There are no mandatory units within this qualification

What knowledge and skills will the student develop as part of this qualification and how might these be of use and value in further studies?

The portfolio-based approach to assessment will support the development of communication skills such as extended writing and drafting, critical skills of analysis, team-working, working from a prescribed brief, working to deadlines presenting information effectively, accurately completing tasks and processes and study skills such as research and time management. These skills will help support progression to level 2 and any future chosen course.

By developing the sector knowledge and skills outlined above, students will be well prepared for progression to a level 2 academic or vocational course in Art or Design Technology.

Which subjects will complement this course?

This qualification is designed to be taken as part of a broad and balanced curriculum at Key Stage 4. It will go particularly well alongside GCSEs in EBacc subjects, GCSEs in creative subjects (such as drama, music and art) and/or other Technical Awards (e.g. BTEC Creative Media) to provide both curriculum breadth and the skills needed to make informed choices about study post-16.

Further Information

<http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/btec-entry-level-and-level-1/art-and-design-l1.html>