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Dear Mr Anderson

As a University, we will recognise the following qualifications as fulfilling entry requirements to a range of our higher education courses in related subject areas, either by meeting entry requirements in their own right or being accepted alongside other qualifications at the same level:

Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Art and Design  
Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Foundation Diploma in Art and Design  
Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Art and Design

We welcome the inclusion of external assessment in these qualifications. Also, the introduction of a larger mandatory core, comprising over half of each qualification, will provide students with a solid foundation in the subject. This means that all students will study a broad and common element of content, and therefore the wide range of options offered in the larger qualifications will be helpful in allowing students to explore areas in which they may wish to specialise at degree level.

In addition, we will recognise the following specialist art and design qualifications as fulfilling entry requirements to certain of our higher education courses in related subject areas, either by meeting entry requirements in their own right or being accepted alongside other qualifications at the same level:

Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Photography  
Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Graphics  
Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in 3D Design and Crafts  
Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Fashion Design and Production

In the past, we have recruited students with Pearson BTEC National Art & Design qualifications similar to the seven listed above on to our degree programmes in Fine Art.

I am happy for this letter to be made public on the Pearson websites to confirm our support for the qualifications.

Yours sincerely



Bob Savill, Head of Admissions, University of Chichester