



# Aviation Operations

## Student Guide Level 3 BTEC National Diploma

### What is the Level 3 BTEC National Diploma in Aviation Operations?

The BTEC National Diploma in Aviation Operations provides a wide and in-depth exploration of the industry, enabling you to successfully embark upon your career or progress to a more responsible job if you are already in employment.

The course is designed to be adaptable to your needs, interests and career aspirations and consists of four compulsory core units plus your choice of fourteen units from a wide variety of specialist areas (which totals 1080 guided learning hours).

The course allows you to focus on what interests you within the industry, for example: airport ramp handling, marketing the aviation industry or aircraft and airfield performance. Please note that the units studied may vary to meet local or learner needs.

### Where will this qualification take me?

#### Employment opportunities

With the international recognition of BTEC courses such as this, you can progress straight into employment. If successful there are a wide variety of potential careers that you can explore, all of which will benefit from your studies, for example: air cabin crew or airport baggage handler.

#### Further vocational and academic qualifications

The BTEC National Diploma in Aviation Operations has the equivalence of three GCE A Levels, and it is possible for you to progress further into higher education, as successful BTEC National qualifications give UCAS points for university applications.

## How long will it take me to complete this qualification?

The length of the course is dependant on the centre. Normally, it will take one academic year to complete but it can be studied for two years or more.

## What are the entry requirements?

The entry requirements for the Edexcel Level 3 BTEC National Diploma in Aviation Operations are laid down by individual centres. Fundamentally you should have a broad education including, for example, a BTEC First in Travel and Tourism and/or four GCSEs (graded C or above) and, in addition, the interest and potential to succeed in achieving the qualification.

## How can I find out more?

Ask your careers teacher or adviser or your local school or college for more information or see the Edexcel website – [www.edexcel.org.uk/btec](http://www.edexcel.org.uk/btec)

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