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Dear Mr Grix

As a Higher Education Institution, 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:

- BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Agriculture
- BTEC Level 3 National Foundation Diploma in Agriculture
- BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Agriculture
- BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Agriculture
- BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Countryside Management
- BTEC Level 3 National Foundation Diploma in Countryside Management
- BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Countryside Management
- BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Countryside Management
- BTEC Level 3 National Foundation Diploma in Forestry & Arboriculture
- BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Arboriculture
- BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Forestry
- BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Horticulture
- BTEC Level 3 National Foundation Diploma in Horticulture
- BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Horticulture
- BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Horticulture

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. 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 the past, we have recruited students with Pearson BTEC National qualifications similar to those listed above on to our degree programmes in Agriculture, Agriculture conservation & Sustainable Management and Environmental Resource Management.

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

Yours sincerely

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