

# Vehicle Technology

## Student Guide Level 3 BTEC National Award

### What is the Level 3 BTEC National Award in Vehicle Technology?

The BTEC National Award in Vehicle Technology will give you an understanding of the fundamental skills and knowledge needed to begin a career in the vehicle maintenance and repair sector, or progress in your current employment. The BTEC National Award can also enable you to move on to further study.

The course is designed to be adaptable to your abilities and needs. It consists of two core units plus a choice of up to four specialist units totalling 360 guided learning hours. The structure of the course allows you to focus on your interests or introduce yourself to new areas, such as vehicle engine management systems, vehicle fault diagnosis and rectification or light vehicle transmission systems. 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, careers to explore include working as a motor vehicle mechanic or technician.

#### Further vocational and academic qualifications

The BTEC National Award in Vehicle Technology has the equivalence of one GCE A Level, 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 largely dependant on the centre. Normally, it will take one academic year to complete but it may be studied for longer.

## What are the entry requirements?

The entry requirements for the Edexcel Level 3 BTEC National Award in Vehicle Technology are laid down by individual centres. Fundamentally you should have a broad education including, for example, a BTEC First in Vehicle Technology 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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