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Dear Mr Anderson

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:

Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Computing  
Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Foundation Diploma in Computing  
Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Computing

Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Certificate in Information Technology  
Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Information Technology  
Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Foundation Diploma in Information Technology

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 addition, we will recognise the following more specialist computing 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 Computer Science  
Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Computing for Creative Industries  
Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Computer Systems and Network Support  
Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Business Information Systems

In the past, we have recruited students with Pearson BTEC IT qualifications similar to the ten listed above on to our degree programmes in Computer Science, Information Systems, Software Engineering and Computing with Business.

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

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Mackintosh', written in a cursive style.

**Dr David Mackintosh**  
**Senior Deputy Vice-Chancellor**