Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Professional Competence for IT and Telecoms Professionals

Qualification Number: 501/1291/0

What is the purpose of this qualification?

The Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Professional Competence for IT and Telecoms Professionals prepares learners for employment in the IT and Telecoms sector and is suitable for those who have decided that they wish to enter a specific area of work within the IT and Telecoms industry.

Achievement of the qualification confirms occupational competence.

This qualification is nationally recognised and based on the National Occupational Standards (NOS) for IT and Telecoms Professionals. The NOS assessment requirements/strategy and qualification structure are owned by e-skills UK. The e-skills UK NOS detail the range of discrete areas of competence needed to describe the diverse job roles in the IT and Telecoms industries, and IT professional jobs in other sectors.

This qualification is accredited by Ofqual as being Stand Alone and as being part of an apprenticeship framework. It forms part of the Advanced Apprenticeship in IT, Software, Web & Telecoms Professionals Framework.

What does this qualification cover?

The Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Professional Competence for IT and Telecoms Professionals is a 72 credit and 540 guided learning hour (GLH) qualification.

Mandatory content is the following;

- Health and Safety in ICT
- Develop own Effectiveness and Professionalism

There are 36 optional units to choose from with subjects such as;

- Customer Care in IT
- Data Modelling
- Working with IT Hardware and Equipment
- Managing Software Development
- Security of IT Systems

How is the qualification assessed?

All units within this qualification are internally assessed via a portfolio of evidence.

Who could take this qualification?

The Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Professional Competence for IT and Telecoms Professionals is available for learners **aged 16 and above**. The qualification is available to everyone who is capable of reaching the required standards it is free from any barriers that restrict access and progression and offers equal opportunities for all wishing to access the qualification.

What could this qualification lead to?

On successful completion of a BTEC qualification, learners can continue their study by progressing onto the Pearson BTEC Level 4 Diploma in Professional Competence for IT and Telecoms Professionals and/or progress into employment in the IT and Telecoms Sector. Potential job roles include:

- Business Analyst
- Computer Games Designer
- Computer Games Technical Support person
- Computer Hardware Engineer
- Computer Service Technician
- internet/Web Professional
- IT Product Developer
- IT Technical Sales Specialist
- IT Trainer
- Telecommunications Technician

Who supports this qualification?

This qualification has been recognised by the British Computer Society, Professional Body.