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Dear Richard

Letter of Recognition for Pearson's BTECs in Computing and Systems Development

BCS, The Chartered Institute for IT champions the global IT profession and the interests of individuals engaged in that profession for the benefit of all. The Institute collaborates with government, industry and relevant bodies to establish good working practices, codes of conduct, skills frameworks and common standards. The Institute promotes professional practice tuned to the demands of business. It provides practical support and information services to its members and volunteer communities around the world.

BCS, The Chartered Institute for IT recognises the below qualifications as being fit for purpose in preparing Pearson's learners for a role in the IT sector.

Pearson BTEC Level 4 HNC Diploma in Computing and Systems Development
(QN: 500/8254/1)
Pearson BTEC Level 5 HND Diploma in Computing and Systems Development
(QN: 500/8253/X)

The qualifications will support learners to progress to employment or within employment in a wide range of job roles across industry including, but not limited to:

Qualification Name	Job Role(s)
Pearson BTEC Level 4 HNC Diploma in Computing and Systems Development (QN: 500/8254/1)	IT analyst IT technician Junior Software Developer Junior Network Engineer
Pearson BTEC Level 5 HND Diploma in Computing and Systems Development (QN: 500/8253/X)	As above

For such roles, we believe that these qualifications provide an appropriate level of knowledge and skills, meeting the needs of the business and the individual, ensuring employees are appropriately skilled for the job and able to deliver to the standard that the sector expects.

These qualifications will also support the individual, should they chose to progress in to further training and professional development.

Potential routes to BCS membership for BTEC L3 & BTEC HN learners & graduates

Qualification Name	BCS Membership
BTEC Nationals in IT at Level 3: Pearson BTEC Level 3 Certificate in IT (QN: 500/9148/7) Pearson BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma in IT (QN: 500/9147/5) Pearson BTEC Level 3 90-credit Diploma in IT (QN: 600/3887/1) Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma in IT (QN: 500/9150/5) Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in IT (QN: 500/9149/9) **Pearson BTEC Level 3 Nationals in Computing** Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Computing (QN:601/7341/5) Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Foundation Diploma in Computing (QN: 601/7343/9) Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Computing (QN: 601/7342/7) Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Computer Science (QN: 601/7338/5) Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Computing for Creative Industries (QN: 601/7340/3) Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Computer Systems and Network Support (QN: 601/7339/7) Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Business Information Systems (QN: 601/7337/3)	Unlikely to lead to a professional grade at this stage but they could be student members
Pearson BTEC Level 4 HNC Diploma in Computing and Systems Development (QN: 500/8254/1)	Associate membership (AMBCS) once completed with an accelerated route to Member (MBCS)
Pearson BTEC Level 5 HND Diploma in Computing and Systems Development (QN: 500/8253/X)	Associate membership (AMBCS) once completed with an accelerated route to Member (MBCS)

BCS, The Chartered Institute for IT is happy for its name, web address & logo to be made available on the Pearson websites to confirm that we recognise the qualifications.

Yours sincerely

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