

Daniel Gavin

Liverpool FC International Academy



Current role

Programme Manager at Liverpool FC International Academy.

Describe your role

As a Programme Manager at the Liverpool FC International Academy team, I have oversight of the quality delivered within our domestic base in the UK, in Asia and in Mauritius.

Qualifications

BTEC in Sports Science.

What inspired you to pursue your career?

Sport, and in particular football, was something I was always interested in from an early age. I enjoyed playing and realised that being a coach could be a career path for me. I remember different coaches who helped me when I was young and the impact it had on my life and I wanted to help young players in the same way.

What do you enjoy most about being a Coach?

I enjoy the positive impact you can have on young people in helping them achieve their specific goals. I enjoy seeing how happy and proud they are at doing this and to be able to help in any way is rewarding.

Please explain how studying a BTEC has impacted your career

It was during my BTEC qualification that I fully understood for the first time that coaching could be a career path for me. Before this it was always something, I wanted to be involved in, but did not truly understand how I could make it happen. As part of my course, I undertook a general sports coaching qualification and was given pathways to specific football coaching courses. As well as providing me with a pathway within coaching, it gave me the confidence and belief that this was something I could do.

How do you think the new BTEC International Level 3 qualification with Liverpool FC will prepare learners for further education and/or a future career?

I think this is a fantastic opportunity for learners to gain a unique insight into Liverpool FC as a club and the values that underpin everything they do.

It will also provide learners with a range of skills that will benefit them as they look at a career within the sports industry.

I wish there was a course like this when I was starting my BTEC!

Who do you think will benefit from this qualification?

Anyone who has a passion and interest in sport.

What do you think makes students who take a BTEC qualification stand out against their peers?

I think it shows a passion for sport and a willingness to learn and better yourself. The wide range of skills and experiences that learners will gain will stand them in good stead as they look to forge a career within the sports industry.

If you were to recommend a BTEC, what are the top three reasons you would give?

1. Unique insight into the industry.
2. Knowledge of career pathways and how to pursue your goals.
3. Confidence and belief in your own ability.



© Artistdesign13