



SIXTH FORM ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To enter Sixth Form (Year 12), you will need to meet the individual entry requirements for your desired three subjects, as listed below. In addition, you will need to gain a grade 5 or above in English and Mathematics.

SUBJECT	MINIMUM GCSE REQUIREMENT
Art and Design	A grade 5 in Art.
Biology	A grade 7 in GCSE Science Trilogy or a grade 6 in Biology.
Business Studies	A grade 6 in Business or a grade 6 in English and Mathematics.
Business BTEC	If taken, students should have at least grade 4 in GCSE Business.
Chemistry	A grade 7 in Science Trilogy or Chemistry, and a grade 6 in Mathematics.
Computer Science BTEC	If taken at GCSE, a grade 5 or above in Computing Science is required.
Engineering BTEC	A grade 5 or above in Design and Technology, Science and Maths.
English Literature	A grade 6 is needed in English Literature or Language.
Geography	A grade 6 at GCSE Geography. If not taken, a grade 6 in English or a Humanities subject is required.
History	A grade 6 at GCSE History. If not taken, a grade 6 in English or a Humanities subject is required.
Mathematics	A grade 7 at GCSE Mathematics.
Performing Arts BTEC	If taken, a Pass in Level 2 Performing Arts is preferred.
Photography	If taken, a grade 5 in Photography.
Physics	A grade 7 in Science Trilogy or Physics, and a grade 6 in Mathematics.
Product Design	A grade 6 in Design Technology. If not taken, a grade 6 in a STEM or Humanities subject.
Psychology	A grade 6 in Mathematics, and a grade 6 in English or a Humanities subject is required.
Religious Studies	A grade 6 at GCSE Religious Studies. If not taken, a grade 6 in English or a Humanities subject is required.
Spanish	A grade 6 in Spanish.
Sport BTEC	A grade 4 in Physical Education or Science is required.

*88% of students move on to university,
52% of which were Russell group members.*



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SIXTH FORM OPTION BLOCKS SEPTEMBER 2026 ENTRY

- Students must choose **three subjects** from the four option blocks.
- **You may only select one subject per block.**
- BTEC Sport may count as one or two subjects, depending on your chosen pathway.

Block A	Block B	Block C	Block D
Art and Design English Literature Photography Physics Psychology	Biology Business BTEC Business Studies Product Design Mathematics	French Mathematics Performing Arts BTEC Religious Studies Spanish Sport BTEC	Engineering BTEC Chemistry Computer Science BTEC Geography History

5 KEY TIPS FOR CHOOSING THE RIGHT POST-16 COURSES

Selecting your A Levels or BTECs is a crucial step in shaping your future academic and career path. The choices you make now can open doors to university courses, apprenticeships, and job opportunities. It's important to think carefully about what you enjoy, what you're good at, and where you see yourself in the future.

A Levels vs. BTECs: What's the Difference?

- A Levels are traditional academic qualifications, mainly assessed through exams, and are ideal for students aiming for university.
- BTECs are more vocational and have both examined and coursework-based modules. Assessments are applied to realistic work-based scenarios and are often project-based. The qualification is designed to help learners progress to university, apprenticeships, or employment.
- Some students choose a mix of A Levels and BTECs to balance academic study with practical skills.

5 Key Tips for Choosing A-Levels or BTECs

1. Consider Your Future Goals

- Think about university courses, apprenticeships, or careers you're interested in.
- Check entry requirements—some university courses prefer A Levels, while others accept BTECs.

2. Play to Your Strengths

- Choose subjects or courses you enjoy and excel in.
- If you perform well in exams, A Levels might be a good fit. If you prefer coursework, consider BTECs.
- Our individual subject entry requirements are designed to help guide you to subjects you will have positive outcomes with. Consider these when making your initial choices.

3. Balance Passion and Practicality

- If you love a subject but it's not required for your career, consider combining it with strategic choices. Avoid picking subjects just because your friends are taking them.

4. Think About Workload & Subject Combinations

- Some A Levels (e.g., Maths and Physics) complement each other.
- BTECs have more coursework, so consider how you manage deadlines.
- A mix of A Levels and BTECs can give you both academic depth and practical skills.

5. Research & Seek Advice

- Speak to teachers, career advisors, and older students. Look at university, apprenticeship, and job entry requirements to ensure your choices align with your future plans.

Below are a few links to help you do further research:

[UCAS](#)

[Complete University Guide – University Rankings, Guides and Courses](#)

[The Guardian University Guide 2026](#)

[Find an apprenticeship – GOV.UK](#)



DEGREE COURSES AND THEIR RELEVANT SUBJECTS

On the next pages you will find a guide linking Sixth Form courses to different degrees.

DEGREE COURSE	COMPULSORY SUBJECT(S)	PREFERRED SUBJECT(S)
Accounting	None	Mathematics, Business, BTEC Business
Aerospace Engineering	Mathematics & Chemistry or Physics	BTEC Engineering
Anthropology	None	Psychology, Religious Studies
Architecture	Portfolio	Physics, Mathematics, Art, BTEC Engineering
Architecture and Urban Planning	None	Physics, Mathematics, Art, BTEC Engineering
Art History	None	History, English, Art
Artificial Intelligence	Mathematics	Physics, Chemistry, BTEC Computer Science
Biology	Biology & Chemistry or Mathematics	Physics, BTEC Sport
Business Administration	None	Business, BTEC Business, Mathematics
Chemical Engineering	Mathematics & Chemistry or Physics	BTEC Engineering
Civil Engineering	Mathematics	BTEC Engineering (Further Mathematics)
Computer Science	Mathematics or BTEC Computer Science	Physics, Product Design, BTEC Engineering
Criminology	None	Psychology, Religious Studies
Dentistry	Biology, Chemistry	Mathematics & English
Dance	None	Experience & Audition
Education	None	English, Psychology
Engineering (General)	Mathematics, Physics	Product Design, BTEC Engineering
Environmental Science	Sciences, Mathematics, Geography	Sciences
Event Management	None	None
Fashion Business	None	Art, Photography, Dance
Fine Art	Art	Photography & Portfolio



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Geography	Geography	None
Graphic Design	None	Art, Photography
History	None	Religious Studies, History
International Relations	None	None
Law	None	English
Linguistics	None	English, Spanish, Psychology
Marketing	None	BTEC Business, Mathematics
Mathematics	Mathematics	Further Mathematics, Physics
Mechanical Engineering	Mathematics & STEM	BTEC Engineering (Mathematics/Further Mathematics)
Media Studies	None	None
Medicine	Biology, Chemistry	Mathematics, Further Mathematics
Music	Music	BTEC Performing Arts
Nursing	Biology, Chemistry	BTEC Sport, Physics, Mathematics
Philosophy	None	English, History
Philosophy and Politics	None	English, Psychology
Physics	Mathematics, Physics	Chemistry, Further Mathematics
Political Science	None	History
Psychology	Mathematics, Science	Psychology
Psychology with Criminology	None	History, Psychology
Social Work	None	BTEC Sport, English
Sociology	None	Psychology, Religious Studies
Sport Science	Science, BTEC Sport	Psychology, Mathematics
Theatre Studies	BTEC Performing Arts	English, Music, Drama
Theology	None	History, English, RE
Veterinary Science	Biology, Chemistry	Physics, Mathematics
Video Game Design	None	Computer Science (portfolio)
Wildlife Conservation	Science, Mathematics	Geography, Psychology
Zoology	Biology	Science, Mathematics, BTEC Sport