## AS/A Level 2024/25 Entry Requirements





### Key

- Board (exam board may be subject to change)
- Campus
- 6 GCSE Grade C (Minimum Requirement)
- English Language C
- Welsh C (A Short Course†)
- Maths C (Higher Tier for FM/M\*)

- Core/Additional Science Higher Tier
- 8 Triple Award Science (CH/PH/B)
- 9 GCSE (Related Subject)
- 10 L2 Cert/Ex Cert (2 GCSE A\*-C) Accepted as equivalent to GCSEs as part of the entry requirement.

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# Desirable Essential

**M/D** Merit/Distinction A/B/C GCSE Grades

<b>6</b> Maths C (Hig	her Tier for	FM/	M*	)				12	Ado	ditional	Inform	nation
SUBJECT	1	2	3	4	5 6	7		8	9	10	11	12
ANCIENT HISTORY	OCR	N	•	٠					С	M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above, including English.
APPLIED SCIENCE (Extended Diploma, 3 A Levels Equivalent)	Edexcel	N	5	•	•	C/	С	C/C/C		M/D	M/D	5 GCSEs at grade A-C, including C grades in Double Science and Maths.
APPLIED SCIENCE (Extended Certificate, 1 A Level Equivalent)	Edexcel	N	•	•	•	C/	С	C/C/C		M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade A-C, including C grades in Double Science and Maths.
BIOLOGY	WJEC	N	•	•	В	B/	В	B/B/B		M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above, including English. GCSE Maths Higher/ Intermediate Tier Grade B recommended and Higher Tier Additional/Triple Science Grade B required.
BUSINESS STUDIES (Single)	WJEC	N	•	•	•					M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above, including English and Maths. Grade B English Language and Maths recommended.
CHEMISTRY	WJEC	N	•	•	В	B/	В	B/B/B		M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above, including English and Maths. GCSE Maths Higher/ Intermediate Tier grade B required and Higher Tier Additional/Triple Science grade B required.
COMPUTER SCIENCE	WJEC	N	•	•	В					M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above, including Maths (at grade B or above) and English Language (at grade C or above).
CRIMINOLOGY (Cert/Dip)	WJEC	N	•	•	#					M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above, including English. No prior knowledge of subject required.
DANCE	AQA	N	•	•	#				#	M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above, including English. Prior dance experience desirable.
DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY	WJEC	N	•	•	•					M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at C or above to include Maths and English.
DRAMA & THEATRE STUDIES	WJEC	N	•	•	#					M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above, including English. GCSE English Language, grade B recommended.
ECONOMICS	WJEC	N	•	•	В					M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above, including English Language and a B grade in Maths.
ENGLISH LANGUAGE	WJEC	N	•	В	#					M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above. GCSE English Language Grade B and GCSE English Literature Grade C desirable.
ENGLISH LITERATURE	WJEC	N	•	В	#					M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above, including English. GCSE English Language grade B required and a B in English Literature is desirable.
ENGLISH LANG/LIT	WJEC	N	•	В	#				В	M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above, including English. Grade B in GCSE English Language is required and a grade B in English Literature is desirable.
FILM STUDIES	Eduqas	N	•	•						M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above, including English.
FINE ART	WJEC	N	•	•					С	M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above, including English. GCSE Art and Design essential, minimum C grade.
FRENCH	WJEC	N	•	В					С	M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above, including English. GCSE English Language grade B is required. GCSE French grade C is desirable.
GEOGRAPHY	WJEC	N	•	•	•				С	M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above, including English and Maths. A grade B in English Language is desireable.
GERMAN	WJEC	N	•	В					С	M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above, including English. GCSE English Language grade B is required. GCSE German grade C is desirable.
GOVERNMENT & POLITICS	WJEC	N	•	•						M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above, including English. GCSE English Language grade B is desirable.
GRAPHIC COMMUNICATION	WJEC	N	•	•	#				С	M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above, including English. GCSE Art or GCSE Graphics recommended.
HEALTH/SOCIAL CARE	WJEC	N	•	•	#					M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above including English Language and Science.
HISTORY	WJEC	N	•	•					С	M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above, including English. GCSE English Language grade B is desirable.
LAW	WJEC	N	•	В						M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above. GCSE English Language grade B required.
MATHS*	WJEC	N	•	#	В					M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above. Higher/Intermediate Tier GCSE Maths Grade B and GCSE Numeracy Grade C recommended.
MATHS FURTHER*	WJEC	N	•	#	А					M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above. Higher Tier GCSE Maths Grade A required and Grade A* recommended.
MEDIA STUDIES	WJEC	N	•	•					•	M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above, including English. GCSE in either Graphic Design, Art & Design, Π or Media Studies mandatory.
MUSIC	WJEC	N	•	•	#				С	M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above. Performance on instrument or voice to a min standard of grade 5/working towards grade 5 theory. Ability to read music notation is essential.
PHOTOGRAPHY	WJEC	N	•	•	#				С	D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above. GCSE Art/Graphics/D&T required.
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	WJEC	N	٠	٠	#	B/	В	C/C/C	В	M/D	D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above. Strong practical skills in one sport and coaching experience required.
PHYSICS	WJEC	N	•	•	В	B/	В	B/B/B		M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above. Higher/Intermediate Tier GCSE Maths Grade B required and Higher Tier Additional/Triple Science Grade B required.
PSYCHOLOGY	WJEC	N	•	В	С	C/	С	C/C/C		M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above. Minimum GCSE English Language grade B, GCSE Maths grade C and Biology Grade C.
RELIGIOUS STUDIES	WJEC	N	•	•						M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above. Grade C or above in GCSE English Language/Literature is required. Grade C or above in GCSE maths desirable
SOCIOLOGY	WJEC	N	•	•	#					M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above, including English. GCSE English Language grade B is desirable.
SPANISH	WJEC	N	•	•					•	M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above. Grade B in GCSE Welsh/French/German highly recommended. No previous knowledge of Spanish at GCSE is required
TEXTILES	WJEC	N	•	•	#				С	M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above. GCSE Textiles/Art recommended or satisfactory portfolio of artwork.
THREE DIMENSIONAL DESIGN	WJEC	N	•	•	#				С	M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above. GCSE Art/Graphics/D&D/Resistant Materials recommended.
TRAVEL & TOURISM (Cert/Dip)	WJEC	N	•	•						M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above, including English. No previous travel and tourism experience required.
WELSH SECOND LANGUAGE	WJEC	N	•	•	В #				С	M/D	M/D	6 GCSEs at grade C or above, including Welsh 2nd Language.

## L3 Vocational Entry Requirements

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GCSE PE/French/History/ Geography/RE/Music																								
Triple Award Science (CH/PH/B)					0/0/0	<b>0/0/</b> 0					0/0/0		0/0/0									0/0/0		
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English Language: C Grade	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	#	•	#	#	•	#	•	#	#	#	•	•	•
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	Board  WBQ KS4 National (A*-C) SCC - Skills Challenge Certificate Certificate GCSE Grade C (Minimum Requirement) English Language: C Grade Welsh: C Grade Core/Additional Science GCSE IT/Art & Design Triple Award Science GCSE PE/French/History/ GCSE PE/French/History/ Geography/RE/Music Core/Additional Science (RH/PH/B)  L2 CERT/EX CERT (2,3 GCSE A*-C) (2,4 GCSE A*-C) (2,4 GCSE A*-C) (2,5 GCSE A*-C) (2,6 GCSE A*-C) (2,6 GCSE A*-C) (2,6 GCSE A*-C) (2,7 GCSE A*-C) (3,6 GCSE A*-C) (4,7 GCSE A*-C) (5,7 GCSE A*-C) (6,8 GCSE A*-C) (6,9 GCSE A*-C) (7,9 GCSE A*-C) (8,1 GCSE A*-C) (1,0 GCSE A*-C) (1,0 GCSE A*-C) (2,1 GCSE A*-C) (3,1 GCSE A*-C) (4,1 GCSE A*-C) (5,2 GCSE A*-C) (6,1 GCSE A*-C) (7,1 GCSE A*-C) (8,1 GCSE A*-C) (9,1 GCSE A*-C) (1,0 GCSE A*-C) (2,1 GCSE A*-C) (3,1 GCSE A*-C) (4,1 GCSE A*-C) (5,2 GCSE A*-C) (6,1 GCSE A*-C) (7,1 GCSE A*-C) (8,1 GCSE A*-C) (1,0 GCSE A*-C) (2,0 GCSE A*-C) (3,1 GCSE A*-C) (4,0 GCSE A*-C) (5,1 GCSE A*-C) (6,1 GCSE A*-C) (7,1 GCSE A*-C) (8,1 GCSE A*-C) (1,0 GCSE A*-C) (1,0 GCSE A*-C) (1,0 GCSE A*-C) (1,0 GCSE A*-C)	Desirable Essential Essential Essential Merit/Distinction Merit/Di	TOURSM  PEARSON  TABLE STATE  Triple Award Science  Triple Award Science  Core/Additional Science  Core/Additional Science  Triple Award Science  Core/Additional Science  Core/Additional Science  Triple Award Science  Core/Additional Science  Core/Additional Science  Triple Award Science  Triple Award Science  Core/Additional Science  Maths/Maths/Maths (Numeracy)  Triple Award Science  Triple Award Science  Core/Additional Science  Maths/Maths/Maths (Numeracy)  Maths/Maths/Maths/Maths (Numeracy)  Maths/M	Triple Award Science  Welsh: C Grade  Core/Additional Science  Triple Award Science  GCSE ET/French/History/ Geography/RE/Music GCSE PE/French/History/ Geography/RE/Music GCSE FE/French/History/ Geography/RE/Music GCSE FE/French/History/ GOORPANST GOORPA	TOURISM  WEC WIEC WIE WIEC WIDDITION  AND MAD WAD WAD WAD WAD WAD WAD WAD WAD WAD W	TOURISM  PEARSON  *** *** *** *** *** *** *** *** *** *	Idation  PEARSON  T. Certificate  Certificat	Ication  The Person  The Perso	Outsign  Out	PEARSON  PEA	Board  Welgo KS4 Mational (A*-C)  Welsh: C Grade  Welsh: C Grade  Welsh: C Grade  CoveyAdditional Science  Welsh: C Grade  Welsh: C Grade  CoveyAdditional Science  CoveyAd	FEARSON  PEARSON  PEA	## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ##	PEARSON   PEAR	PERSON   P	Board   Boar	Mathematical Core   Math	Board   Boar	PERRSON   WILE C   COTO   CO	## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ##	### ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ##	## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ##	### ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ##	PEARSON   PEAR

# Learning & Progression Routes by Level

Levels relate to the whole Group provision - please check prospectus/website for campus specific details



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		BUSINESS, TOURISM & MANAGEMENT	BUSINESS, TOURISM & MANAGEMENT	CATERING, HOSPITALITY AND AGRICULTURE						BUILDING ENGINEERING SERVICES	HAIRDRESSING AND APPLIED THERAPIES	HAIRDRESSING AND APPLIED THERAPIES	CREATIVE, VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS	CREATIVE, VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS	CREATIVE, VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS	HEALTH, SOCIAL & CHILDCARE	HEALTH, SOCIAL & CHILDCARE	6TH FORM ACADEMY MATHEMATICS & SCIENCE	6TH FORM ACADEMY SOCIAL STUDIES & LANGUAGES			

## GCSE Equivalence Qualifications 2024/25





As part of our entry requirements we do include vocational qualifications that may have been undertaken in school. Students will be required to have achieved a merit/distinction grade profile in these qualifications for them to be considered for entry onto AS qualifications. Please see below a guide of the GCSE equivalence grade for some vocational qualifications which may have been undertaken.

If you have	You could study	Then you could progress to
No formal qualifications but have an enthusiasm for the subject	Entry level qualification	Level 1 qualification
No formal qualifications but must attend an interview	Level 1 qualification	Level 2 qualification or an apprenticeship
Foundation WBQ Passed a number of GCSEs, or a Level 1 qualification	Level 2 qualification, BTEC Diploma, NVQ	Level 3 qualification, employment, apprenticeship
National WBQ 4/5 GCSEs at A* to C (including Maths and English)	Level 3 qualification, BTEC, NVQ, Diploma	Level 4 qualification, university, employment or a higher apprenticeship
6 GCSEs at A* to C (including Maths, English, Science)	A Levels	Level 4 qualification, university, employment or a higher apprenticeship

Qualification		Equivalent
NQF BTEC/WJEC Level 2 Award		Pass 1 x C Grade GCSEs  Merit 1 x B Grade GCSEs  Distinction 1 x A Grade GCSEs  Distinction * 1 x A* GCSEs
NQF/BTEC Level 2 Certificate		Pass 2 x C Grade GCSEs  Merit 2 x B Grade GCSEs  Distinction 2 x A Grade GCSEs  Distinction * 2 x A* Grade GCSEs
NQF BTEC Level 2 Extended Certificate	<b>&gt;</b>	Pass 3 x C Grade GCSEs  Merit 3 x B Grade GCSEs  Distinction 3 x A Grade GCSEs  Distinction * 3 x A* Grade GCSEs
NQF/BTEC Diploma		Pass 4 x C Grade GCSEs  Merit 4 x B Grade GCSEs  Distinction 4 x A Grade GCSEs  Distinction * 4 x A* Grade GCSEs
Welsh Baccalaureate National Key Stage 4		3 x A*-C Grade GCSEs including Maths and English
Welsh Baccalaureate Foundation Key Stage 4*		3 x D-G Grade GCSEs including Maths and English