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Title	BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Performing Arts (720GLH)
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Overview
<p><i>Who is this qualification for?</i></p> <p>The Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Performing Arts is intended to be an Applied General qualification for post16 students who want to continue their education through applied learning and who aim to progress to higher education, and ultimately to employment, possibly in the performing arts sector. The qualification is equivalent in size to 2 A Levels, and it has been designed as part of a two-year programme, normally alongside a further Level 3 qualification. Students wishing to take this BTEC will have successfully completed a Level 2 programme of learning, with GCSEs or vocational learning.</p> <p><i>What does the qualification cover?</i></p> <p>The content of this qualification has been developed in consultation with academics to ensure that it supports progression to higher education. In addition, employers and professional bodies have been involved and consulted in order to confirm that the content is also appropriate and consistent with current practice.</p> <p>Students will study six mandatory units, covering the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investigating Practitioners' Work • Group Performance Workshop • Individual Performance Commission • Developing Skills and Techniques for Live Performance • Performing Arts in the Community • Final Live Performance to an Audience. <p>Students will also study two optional units, which have been designed to support progression to the range of sector related courses in Higher Education, and also to link with relevant occupational areas. The optional units cover content areas such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • acting • dance • musical theatre. <p>This qualification enables students to acquire substantial cross sector knowledge, as well as practical skills.</p> <p><i>Entry requirements.</i></p> <p>4 or above in English and an enthusiasm and passion for the performing arts, specifically; dance, drama and musical theatre.</p>

What could this qualification lead to?***Will the qualification support progression to further learning, if so, what to?***

In addition to the performing arts sector specific content outlined above, the requirements of the qualification will mean students develop the transferable and higher order skills that are highly regarded by both Higher Education and employers.

For example, in the *Final Live Performance to an Audience* unit, students acquire transferable skills such as teamwork, collaboration, planning, time management, communication, self-motivation, decision making, self-awareness and interpersonal skills.

The qualification is intended to carry UCAS points and is recognised by Higher Education providers as contributing to admission requirements to many relevant courses. Performing arts combines well with many other subjects, and when taken alongside another Level 3 qualification, the Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Performing Arts will offer the opportunity to progress to a range of degree programmes, depending on the additional subject(s) studied. This can include many related to performing arts.

Will the qualification lead to employment, if so, in which job role and at which level?

This qualification is primarily designed to support progression to study at university. However, it also supports students choosing to progress directly to employment, as the transferable knowledge, understanding and skills will give students an advantage when applying for a range of entry level roles in occupational areas, such as acting, dance, musical theatre, teaching and education, health, creative arts and charities and voluntary work.

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