



# 2021 Entry Requirements

To gain access to a course, students must also meet the relevant Centre entry requirements, detailed overleaf. The value offered in brackets indicates the minimum grade requirement in each subject.

SUBJECT	QUALIFICATION	ENTRY REQUIREMENT
Applied Science	BTEC (Level 3)	GCSE (4-4) in science
Art (Fine Art)	A Level	GCSE (4) or BTEC (merit) in art and design or fine art, or completion of portfolio task to approved standard
Art (Photography)	A Level	GCSE (4) or BTEC (merit) in art, or completion of portfolio task to approved standard
Biology	A Level	GCSE (6-6-5) in two sciences and maths; must include 6 in biology (if taken)
Business	BTEC (Level 2)	4 x GCSE (3, or above)
Business	BTEC (Level 3)	Level 2 BTEC Business (merit), if taken
Business	A Level	GCSE (5) in English and maths desirable
Chemistry	A Level	GCSE (6-6) in sciences (not Applied Science) and (6) in mathematics
Computer Science	A Level	GCSE (6) in mathematics
Core Maths	<i>equiv to AS Level</i>	GCSE (5) in mathematics
Design & Technology	A Level	GCSE (4) (or BTEC L2 (M)) in a design technology subject or proven interest and portfolio which demonstrates sufficient capability
Drama (Performing Arts)	BTEC	GCSE (4) or BTEC (M) in drama / record of involvement in performances
Economics	A Level	GCSE (6) in mathematics
English Language	A Level	GCSE (5) in English language, GCSE (4) in English literature
English Literature	A Level	GCSE (5) in English language and English literature, and a love of reading
Extended Project	EPQ	Proven interest (this is a Year 13 course)
Film Studies	A Level	GCSE (4) in English language
French	A Level	GCSE (6) in French
GCSE English Language	GCSE	GCSE (3) in English language
GCSE Mathematics	GCSE	GCSE (3) in mathematics
Geography	A Level	GCSE (4) in geography, if taken at GCSE
German	A Level	GCSE (6) in German
Global Perspectives	Pre U	5 x GCSE (7)
Health + Social Care	BTEC (Level 3)	GCSE (4) in a science or BTEC Level 2 (merit) Health and Social Care
History	A Level	GCSE (4) in history, if taken at GCSE
IT Practitioners	BTEC (Level 3)	Proven interest
Mathematics	A Level	GCSE (7) in Mathematics at higher tier (students who achieve a grade 6 will be admitted to the course, if they successfully pass a pre-entrance test)
Mathematics (Further)	A Level	GCSE (8) in mathematics (you must also study A Level mathematics)
Media Studies	A Level	GCSE (4) English language and an interest in all forms of media.
Music Technology	BTEC (Level 3)	Level 2 BTEC music / music technology (merit), if taken
Physics	A Level	GCSE (6-6) in sciences (not applied science) and (6) in mathematics
Psychology	A Level	GCSE (5) in science, English language or mathematics desirable
Religious Studies	A Level	GCSE (4) in RE, if taken
Sociology	A Level	GCSE (4) in English language plus GCSE (4) in sociology, if taken
Spanish	A Level	GCSE (6) in Spanish
Sport	BTEC (Level 3)	Level 2 BTEC Sport (merit), if taken; active participation in competitive sport



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**These are the entry requirements for students to gain access to our Level 2 and 3 study programmes. Students must also meet the relevant course entry requirements, detailed overleaf.**

PROGRAMME OF STUDY	ENTRY REQUIREMENT
Level 3 programme <i>(GCE A Level and/or Level 3 BTEC)</i>	<b>5 x GCSE at grade 4</b> (or above), including English language and mathematics.
Foundation programme <i>(BTEC Level 2 Business / BTEC Level 2 Science, with GCSE English and maths)</i>	<b>4 x GCSE at grade 3</b> (or above), including English language and mathematics.

## ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE

- We pride ourselves on offering expert advice and guidance to all of our applicants. When it comes to confirming your course choices, you will be invited to meet with a member of the NBP16 team, who is likely to offer the following guidance to ensure you are enrolled on a pathway where you can fulfil your potential:
  - For a **programme of all GCE A Level courses**, we recommend a minimum of 7 GCSEs at grade 4, or above;
  - For a **combined programme of GCE A Level and BTEC Level 3 courses**, we recommend a minimum of 6 GCSEs at grade 4, or above;
  - For students with 5 GCSEs at grade 4, or above, we recommend a **BTEC Level 3 programme**.
- For some courses, we will consider Level 2 qualifications in Functional English and mathematics.
- Level 2 BTECs will count as a maximum of 2 GCSEs, regardless of the size of the qualification.
- Where a student has previously studied a subject at GCSE / Level 2 BTEC, they must gain a minimum of a grade 4 / merit in that subject in order to progress onto the Level 3 course. Please see specific subject entry criteria.
- Applied Science GCSE will not be counted for progression onto Biology, Chemistry or Physics GCE courses.
- Where students progress from a full-time Level 2 BTEC course taken within the NBP16C, or any other post 16 centre, a merit is required for progression onto Level 3 courses.
- Extenuating circumstances may be taken into consideration, so please do come and have a discussion with us if your results are not what you had anticipated.