



# 2025 Entry Requirements

- In the table below, the value in brackets indicates the *minimum* grade requirement in each subject.
- In addition, 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 to progress onto the Level 3 course.
- Students must also meet the relevant Centre entry requirements, detailed overleaf.

| 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, at least GCSE (4) required in both  |
| 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                      | AS Level       | <i>To be taken as a fourth course:</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                           | A Level        | 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 Language and Literature | A Level        | GCSE (5-4) in English language and English literature (any combination)  |
| English Literature              | A Level        | GCSE (5) in English language and English literature, and a love of reading   |
| Extended Project                | EPQ            | <i>Y13 students only:</i> Proven interest and pass grades in Y12 mock exams  |
| Film Studies                    | A Level        | GCSE (4) in English language   |
| French                          | A Level        | GCSE (6) in French*  |
| Geography                       | A Level        | GCSE (5) in English language <i>and</i> maths desirable; GCSE (4) required   |
| German                          | A Level        | GCSE (6) in German*  |
| Government and Politics         | A Level        | GCSE (5) in English language desirable; GCSE (4) required  |
| Global Perspectives             | AS/A Level     | <i>To be taken as a fourth (extension) course:</i> 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 (5) in English language desirable; GCSE (4) required  |
| 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 (5-4-4) in science, English language and maths (any combination)  |
| Religious Studies               | A Level        | GCSE (5) in English language desirable; GCSE (4) required  |
| Sociology                       | A Level        | GCSE (5) in English language desirable; GCSE (4) required.   |
| Spanish                         | A Level        | GCSE (6) in Spanish*   |
| Sport                           | BTEC (Level 3) | Level 2 BTEC Sport (merit), if taken; active participation in competitive sport  |

\*For modern foreign language subjects if you do not have a relevant GCSE qualification but have a high level of proficiency in the language a 1:1 review can be carried out with the head of department to assess your suitability.

**Further course information can be found on our website at [www.nbp16c.org.uk](http://www.nbp16c.org.uk)**



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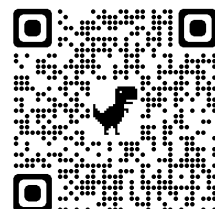
**These are the entry requirements for students to gain access to our Level 2 and 3 study programmes. Students must also meet the relevant course entry requirements, detailed overleaf.**

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

Our full admissions statement can be viewed at  
<http://www.nbp16c.org.uk/Admissions>, or by scanning here:



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