



Requirements for A Level Courses 2026

For progression to A Level from GCSE, students should have a **minimum of five 9-4 grades at GCSE in five different subjects including English Language and Mathematics**. Those who are yet to achieve a grade 4 in GCSE English Language or Mathematics will need to retake these subjects.

COURSE	ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
ART AND DESIGN	Grade 5 in Art. Candidates may also be considered on the basis of a strong portfolio.
BIOLOGY	Grade 6 in two sciences and Grade 6 in Mathematics.
BUSINESS STUDIES	Grade 5 in Mathematics. Business Studies desirable.
CHEMISTRY	Grade 6 in two sciences and Grade 6 in Mathematics.
COMPUTER SCIENCE	Grade 6 in Mathematics. Grade 7 in Computer Science is desirable.
DESIGN: 3D STUDIES	Grade 5 in 3D. Candidates may also be considered on the basis of a strong portfolio.
DRAMA	Grade 4 in English Language and Grade 4 in English Literature. Drama desirable.
ECONOMICS	Grade 5 in English Language and Mathematics.
ENGLISH LITERATURE	Grade 5 in English Language and Grade 6 in English Literature.
EPQ	Grade 5 in English Language and Maths. Grade 5 average GCSE grade.
FRENCH	Grade 6 in French.
GEOGRAPHY	Grade 6 in Geography and Grade 4 in English Language.
GRAPHIC DESIGN	Grade 5 in Graphics. Candidates may also be considered on the basis of a strong portfolio.
HISTORY	Grade 5 in History and Grade 4 in English Language
MATHEMATICS	Grade 7 in Mathematics.
MATHS, FURTHER	Grade 8 in Mathematics.
MEDIA STUDIES	Grade 5 in English Language.
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	Grade 5 in Physical Education.
PHYSICS	Grade 6 in two sciences and Grade 6 in Mathematics.
POLITICS	Grade 4 in English Language and Mathematics.
PSYCHOLOGY	Grade 5 in Mathematics and two sciences.
RELIGIOUS STUDIES	Grade 5 in RE. Grade 4 in English Language
SOCIOLOGY	Grade 4 in English Language and Mathematics.
SPANISH	Grade 6 in Spanish

Requirements for Level 3 Vocational Courses 2025

For progression to BTEC Level 3 Vocational Courses from GCSE, students must have a minimum of four 9-4 grades at GCSE or passes at BTEC Level 2. Those who are yet to achieve a grade 4 in GCSE English Language or Mathematics will need to retake these subjects.

APPLIED COURSE	ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
MEDICAL SCIENCE BTEC	Grade 4 in two sciences
BUSINESS STUDIES BTEC	Grade 4 in English Language or Mathematics
MUSIC PERFORMANCE BTEC	Equivalent of grade 3 in performing their instrument. Music desirable
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY BTEC	Grade 4 in English Language or Mathematics