

Applied General Qualifications Course Entry Requirements – 2021-2022

Standard Entry Requirement of five GCSE grade 4+ (or equivalent qualifications) for all courses

For 2021 enrolments, all of the applied general qualifications that we offer will be on reformed specifications and all but one course will be assessed by a combination of coursework assignments and exams. See below for details.

Subject	Level	Equivalence	Assessment	Maths Grade Required	English Language Grade Required	Additional Subject Requirement	Other Information
Applied Science	Subsidiary diploma	1 A Level	Coursework and exam	4	4	At least 5-4 in Double Science or 5-4-4 in triple science	Cannot be taken alongside any other Level 3 Science course
	Extended Diploma	3 A Levels	Coursework and exam	4	4	At least 5-4 in Double Science or 5-4-4 in triple science	Good choice if wanting to study science at uni without grades for A Levels.
Business	Subsidiary Diploma	1 A Level	Coursework and exam	4	4	Grade 5 in at least 1 essay-based GCSE*. Previous study of Business (GCSE or L2 BTEC) grade 4 / merit.	Cannot be taken alongside A level Business
	Extended Diploma	3 A Levels	Coursework and exam	4	4	Grade 5 in at least 1 essay-based GCSE*. Previous study of Business (GCSE or L2 BTEC) grade 4 / merit.	Good choice if wanting more vocational approach to business.
Creative Digital Media	Extended Certificate	1 A Level	Coursework and exam	4	4	Grade 5 in at least 1 essay-based GCSE*. Previous study of Media (GCSE or L2 BTEC) grade 4 / merit.	May consider enrolling without Maths but conditional on a resit.
IT	CTEC (Cambridge Technical Extended Certificate)	1 A level	Coursework and exam	4	4	Previous study of Computing / IT desirable	This course goes well with all subjects both A-Levels and other subsidiary courses.
Performing Arts	Extended Certificate	1 A Level	Coursework and exam	4	4	Strong performance skills required	May consider enrolling without one or other of Maths/English but conditional on a resit.
	Extended Diploma	3 A Levels	Coursework and exam	4	4	Strong performance skills required	May consider enrolling without one or other of Maths/English but conditional on a resit.
Sport	Subsidiary Diploma	1 A Level	Coursework and exam	4	4	Either a 5 in PE or a 5 in a science	Can be studied alongside A level PE.
Sport	Extended Diploma	3 A Levels	Coursework and exam	4	4	Either a 5 in PE or a 5 in a science	Good choice for those wanting to pursue a career in the Sport, Exercise, Health or Fitness Industry- including sports coaching.
Digital Music Production	Extended Certificate	1 A level	Coursework only	4	4	Genuine interest and ability in creative music production and performance	Works well alongside other creative courses or sciences for sound engineering.

Other Qualifications

Subject	Level	Maths Grade Required	English Language Grade Required	Additional Subject Requirement	Other Information
Diploma in Criminology	Level 3 Applied	4	5		Work well with other A level choices (Sociology, Law, Psychology)
Maths Studies	Level 3 (one yr)	4	4		This is a one-year course that is equivalent to an AS Level so should be taken alongside 3 other qualifications
Trinity Acting		4	4	Strong performance skills	

*Essay-based GCSE means English Lang., English Lit, History, Religious Studies, Geography, Media Studies, Sociology, Psychology where essays and longer written answers are required.