



# Level 3 Advanced Digital Technology (Extended Certificate) (Full-Time)

The Level 3 Extended Certificate in IT is a Full-time Further Education course designed to provide highly specialist, work-related qualifications in the computing and information technology sector. This is located in the Computing and Information Technology (CIT) department.

Its aim is to give you the knowledge, understanding and skills that they need to prepare for employment. The BTEC L3 Diploma qualifications provide career development opportunities and a clear progression route to higher education, degree and professional development programmes within the same or related areas of study.

The first year of the course covers Computing IT. In the second year, the student has the option of specialising in either, Computing & IT, coding, Games & Graphic Design or Web & App Development.

## Entry Requirements

Welsh Baccalaureate National and 5 GCSEs A-C that include Maths & English and for those coming through with an a Level 2 in Computing and/or IT qualification we ask for a minimum of a Merit.

## Career Prospects

Higher Education or secure employment in a range of business and ICT organisations. Many Students go onto many computer related courses.

Please note that if you are considering teaching as a career then universities require GCSEs at Grade B or above for Maths, English and Science and for Computer Science courses some universities ask for a minimum of Grade B at Maths GCSE.

Potential Career Opportunities: IT Director, Programmer and Developer, Database Developer, IT Manager, Project Manager, Technical Support, IT Consultant, Internet and Web Developer, Game Designer, Games Developer, Helpdesk, Software Engineer, Strategy and Planning, Systems Design and Development, Computer Architect, Tester, Analyst, Network Management, IT Operations, Sales and Marketing.

## Course Modules

Typical Course Structure:

Coleg Afan  
Coleg Bannau Brycheiniog  
Academi Chwaraeon Llandarcy  
Canolfan Ragoriaeth Adeiladwaith Maesteg  
Coleg Castell-nedd  
Coleg Y Drenewydd  
Coleg Pontardawe  
Canolfan Adeiladwaith Abertawe

Afan College  
Brecon Beacons College  
Llandarcy Academy of Sport  
Maesteg Construction Centre of Excellence  
Neath College  
Newtown College  
Pontardawe College  
Swansea Construction Centre





Year 1: Semester One:

- Information Technology Systems (externally assessed)
- Creating Systems to Manage Information(externally assessed)
- Programming

Semester Two:

- Data Modelling
- Website Development
- Using Social Media in Business

Year 2: Semester One:

- IT Project Management : Part 1
- Cyber Security and Incident Management
- Mobile Apps Development
- Digital Graphics.

Semester Two:

- IT Project Management : Part 2
- IT Service Delivery
- Computer Games Development
- The Internet of Things.

Additional Qualifications: Advanced Welsh Bacalaureate.

## Assessment

Information Technology Systems; Creating Systems to Manage Information; Cyber Security and Incident Management; and IT Service delivery are externally assessed. All other units are assessed by assignments.

## Additional Costs

There may be additional course-related costs for text books and educational visits

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## LOCATION

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## COURSE LENGTH

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