

AS/A Level 2022/23 Entry Requirements



Key	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	N	#	•	M/D	A/B/C
	Board (exam board may be subject to change)	Campus	6 GCSE Grade C (Minimum Requirement)	English Language C	Welsh C (A Short Course†)	Maths C (Higher Tier for FM/M*)	Core/Additional Science - Higher Tier	Triple Award Science (CH/PH/B)	GCSE (Related Subject)	L2 Cert/Ex Cert (2 GCSE A*-C)	First/L2 Diploma (4 GCSE A*-C)	Additional Information	Neath College	Desirable	Essential	Merit/Distinction	GCSE Grades

SUBJECT	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
ANCIENT HISTORY	OCR	N	•	•					C	M/D	M/D		
APPLIED SCIENCE (Extended Diploma, 3 A Levels Equivalent)	Edexcel	N	5	•	•	C/C	C/C/C			M/D	M/D		
APPLIED SCIENCE (Extended Certificate, 1 A Level Equivalent)	Edexcel	N	•	•	•	C/C	C/C/C			M/D	M/D		
BIOLOGY	WJEC	N	•	•	B	B/B	B/B/B			M/D	M/D		GCSE Maths Higher/Intermediate Tier Grade B recommended & Higher Tier Additional/Triple Science Grade B required.
BUSINESS STUDIES (Single)	WJEC	N	•	B	•					M/D	M/D		
CHEMISTRY	WJEC	N	•	•	B	B/B	B/B/B			M/D	M/D		GCSE Maths Higher/Intermediate Tier Grade B required & Higher Tier Additional/Triple Science Grade B required.
COMPUTER SCIENCE	WJEC	N	•	•	B					M/D	M/D		
CRIMINOLOGY (Cert/Dip)	WJEC	N	•	•	•				C	M/D	M/D		No prior knowledge of subject required.
DANCE	AQA	N	•	•	#				#	M/D	M/D		Maths – Desirable and English essential at a minimum Grade C.
DRAMA & THEATRE STUDIES	WJEC	N	•	•	#					M/D	M/D		GCSE English Language Grade B recommended.
ECONOMICS	WJEC	N	•	•	B					M/D	M/D		
ENGLISH LANGUAGE	WJEC	N	•	B	#					M/D	M/D		GCSE English Language Grade B and GCSE English Literature Grade C desirable.
ENGLISH LITERATURE	WJEC	N	•	•	#					M/D	M/D		GCSE English Language Grade B desirable.
ENGLISH LANG/LIT	WJEC	N	•	B	#				B	M/D	M/D		GCSE English Language Grade B and GCSE English Literature Grade B desirable.
FILM STUDIES	Eduqas	N	•	•	#					M/D	M/D		
FINE ART	WJEC	N	•	•	#				C	M/D	M/D		GCSE Art and Design essential minimum C grade.
FRENCH	WJEC	N	•	B	#				B	M/D	M/D		A C grade in GCSE French and a B English Language is required.
GEOGRAPHY	WJEC	N	•	•	•				C	M/D	M/D		
GERMAN	WJEC	N	•	B	#				B	M/D	M/D		A C grade in GCSE German and a B in English Language is required.
GOVERNMENT & POLITICS	WJEC	N	•	•						M/D	M/D		No prior knowledge of subject required.
GRAPHIC COMMUNICATION	WJEC	N	•	•	#				C	M/D	M/D		GCSE Art or GCSE Graphics Products recommended.
HEALTH/SOCIAL CARE	WJEC	N	•	•	•					M/D	M/D		
HISTORY	WJEC	N	•	•	#				C	M/D	M/D		
ICT	WJEC	N	•	•	•					M/D	M/D		
LAW	WJEC	N	•	•	#					M/D	M/D		Grade B in English language required.
MATHS*	WJEC	N	•	•	B					M/D	M/D		Higher/Intermediate Tier GCSE Maths Grade B & GCSE Numeracy Grade C recommended.
MATHS FURTHER*	WJEC	N	•	•	A					M/D	M/D		Higher Tier GCSE Maths Grade A required & Grade A* recommended.
MEDIA STUDIES	WJEC	N	•	•	#					M/D	M/D		
MUSIC	WJEC	N	•	•	#				C	M/D	M/D		Performance on instrument or voice to a min standard of grade 5/working towards grade 5 theory. Ability to read music notation is essential.
PHOTOGRAPHY	WJEC	N	•	•	#				C	D	M/D		GCSE Art/Graphics/D&T required.
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	WJEC	N	•	•	•	C/C	C/C/C		B	M/D	D		Strong practical skills in one sport and coaching experience required
PHYSICS	WJEC	N	•	•	B	B/B	B/B/B			M/D	M/D		Higher/Intermediate Tier GCSE Maths Grade B required & Higher Tier Additional/Triple Science Grade B required.
PSYCHOLOGY	WJEC	N	•	B	C	C/C	C/C/C			M/D	M/D		GCSE English Language Grade B recommended & strong essay writing skills required. GCSE maths grade C required, GCSE numeracy grade C recommended.
RELIGIOUS STUDIES	WJEC	N	•	•	#					M/D	M/D		GCSE English Grade C required.
SOCIOLOGY	WJEC	N	•	•	#					M/D	M/D		Strong essay writing skills required. A minimum of a C grade in English Language is required.
SPANISH	WJEC	N	•	B	•				•	M/D	M/D		GCSE Welsh/French/German Grade B recommended. A B grade in GCSE Spanish is required.
TEXTILES	WJEC	N	•	•	#				C	M/D	M/D		GCSE Textiles/Art recommended or satisfactory portfolio of artwork.
THREE DIMENSIONAL DESIGN	WJEC	N	•	•	#				C	M/D	M/D		GCSE Art/Graphics/D&D/Resistant Materials recommended.
TRAVEL & TOURISM (Cert/Dip)	WJEC	N	•	•	•					M/D	M/D		No previous travel and tourism experience required.
WELSH SECOND LANGUAGE	WJEC	N	•	•	B	#				M/D	M/D		Higher Tier full course GCSE Welsh required.

L3 Vocational Entry Requirements

Advice Chart 2022/23



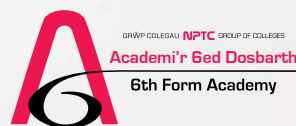
Levels relate to the whole Group provision - please check prospectus/website for campus specific details

Key

- # Desirable
- Essential
- M/D Merit/Distinction
- ED Extended Diploma
- * Subject to Validation

Subject	Board	WBQ KS4 National (A*-C)	SCC - Skills Challenge Certificate	5 GCSE Grade C (Minimum Requirement)	English Language: C Grade	Welsh: C Grade	Maths/Maths (Numeracy) C Grade	Core/Additional Science	Triple Award Science (CH/PH/B)	GCSE PE/French/History/Geography/RE/Music	GCSE IT/Art & Design (Related Subject)	L2 Award (GCSE A*-C)	L2 CERT/EX CERT (2/3 GCSE A*-C)	L2 DIPLOMA (4 GCSE A*-C)	PORTFOLIO	AUDITION	INTERVIEW
BTEC L3 ED BUSINESS	PEARSON	•		•	•	#	•						M/D	M/D			
BTEC L3 ED TRAVEL & TOURISM	PEARSON	•		•	•	#	•						M/D	M/D			
BTEC L3 ED HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE	PEARSON	•		•	•	#	•						M/D	M/D			
CACHE L3 CHILDCARE	CACHE	•		•	•	#	•						M/D	M/D			
BTEC L3 ED CONSTRUCTION	PEARSON	•		•	•	#	•	C/C	C/C/C				M/D	M/D			
BTEC L3 ED ELECTRICAL	PEARSON	•		•	•	#	•	C/C	C/C/C				M/D	M/D			
L3 ED ART & DESIGN	UAL	•		•	•		#						M/D	M/D	•		
OCR L3 ED PERFORMING ARTS	OCR	•		•	•		#						M/D	M/D		•	•
BTEC L3 ED MUSIC	PEARSON	•		•	•		#				#		M/D	M/D		•	•
BTEC L3 ED PRODUCTION ARTS	EDX	•		•	•	#	#						M/D	M/D		•	•
BTEC L3 ED ENGINEERING	PEARSON	•		•	•	#	•	C/C	C/C/C				M/D	M/D			•
L3 DIP HORTICULTURE	C&G	•		#	#		#						PASS	PASS			
BTEC L3 ED APPLIED SCIENCE	PEARSON	•		•	•	#	•	C/C	C/C/C				M/D	M/D			
BTEC L3 ED SPORT (SCD)	PEARSON	•		•	#		#						M/D	M/D			
BTEC L3 ED SPORT (FPT)	PEARSON	•		•	#		#						M/D	M/D			
BTEC L3 ED PUBLIC SERVICES	PEARSON	•		•	•	#	#						M/D	M/D		•	
L3 DIP SPORTS THERAPY	VTCT	#		•	#		•						PASS	M/D			•
L3 ED MEDIA PRODUCTION	UAL	•		•	•	#	#						M/D	M/D			
L3 BEAUTY THERAPY	VTCT	#		#	#		•				#		PASS	M/D		•	
L3 DIP THEATRICAL, SPECIAL EFFECTS, HAIR & MEDIA MAKE UP	VTCT	#		•	#		•										•
L3 HAIRDRESSING	VTCT	#		#	#		#						PASS				
C&G L3 ED HOSPITALITY	C&G	•		•	•	#	•	C/C	C/C/C				M/D	M/D			
BTEC L3 ED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	PEARSON	•		•	•	#	•						M/D	M/D			
BTEC L3 ED AGRICULTURE	C&G	•		•	•	#	#						M/D	M/D			

GCSE Equivalence Qualifications 2021/22



As part of our entry requirements we do include vocational qualifications that may have been undertaken in school. Students will be required to have achieved a merit/distinction grade profile in these qualifications for them to be considered for entry onto AS qualifications. Please see below a guide of the GCSE equivalence grade for some vocational qualifications which may have been undertaken.

If you have...	You could study...	Then you could progress to...
No formal qualifications but have an enthusiasm for the subject	Entry level qualification	Level 1 qualification
No formal qualifications but must attend an interview	Level 1 qualification	Level 2 qualification or an apprenticeship
Foundation WBQ Passed a number of GCSEs, or a Level 1 qualification	Level 2 qualification, BTEC, Diploma, NVQ	Level 3 qualification, employment, apprenticeship
National WBQ 4/5 GCSEs at A* to C (including Maths and English)	Level 3 qualification, BTEC, NVQ, Diploma	Level 4 qualification, university, employment or a higher apprenticeship
6 GCSEs at A* to C (including Maths, English, Science)	A Levels	Level 4 qualification, university, employment or a higher apprenticeship

GCSE Equivalent Qualifications Explained

Qualification	Equivalent
NQF BTEC/WJEC Level 2 Award	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pass 1 x C Grade GCSEs Merit 1 x B Grade GCSEs Distinction 1 x A Grade GCSEs Distinction * 1 x A* GCSEs
NQF/BTEC Level 2 Certificate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pass 2 x C Grade GCSEs Merit 2 x B Grade GCSEs Distinction 2 x A Grade GCSEs Distinction * 2 x A* Grade GCSEs
NQF BTEC Level 2 Extended Certificate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pass 3 x C Grade GCSEs Merit 3 x B Grade GCSEs Distinction 3 x A Grade GCSEs Distinction * 3 x A* Grade GCSEs
NQF/BTEC Diploma	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pass 4 x C Grade GCSEs Merit 4 x B Grade GCSEs Distinction 4 x A Grade GCSEs Distinction * 4 x A* Grade GCSEs
Welsh Baccalaureate National Key Stage 4	3 x A*-C Grade GCSEs including Maths and English
Welsh Baccalaureate Foundation Key Stage 4*	3 x D-G Grade GCSEs including Maths and English