

**Awarding Body:** Edexcel

Course Length: 2 years BTEC Level 3 National

**Extended Certificate** 

Entry Requirements: 32 – 35 Points



## This course will cover:

- 1. Developing skills and techniques for live performance
- 2. Investigating practitioners' work
- 3. Group performance workshop
- 4. Movement in performance

The three mandatory units focus on:

- \* Research, critical analysis and extended writing skills supporting learners' progression to higher education. Learners will gain a good understanding of influential practitioners' work to inform their own work and practice
- \* An introduction to the performing arts developing skills and techniques in various performance disciplines such as acting, dance, musical theatre and physical theatre
- \* Group performance developing the essential psychomotor and affective skills essential for the performing arts. They will develop physical techniques and wider transferable skills: working collaboratively, personal management and organisation (rehearsals, timemanagement), giving/taking direction, confidence in front of an audience, problem solving (refining the process) and teamwork (essential when dancing as a group).

Learners will understand different audiences in different environments and will learn to adapt a performance to engage the target audience. Learners select one optional unit to support their choices in progression. These units cover acting, dance and musical theatre topics.

## **Assessment Method:**

4 units, of which 3 are mandatory and 2 are external. Mandatory content (83%). External assessment (58%).

Each assessment is taken under specified conditions, marked by Pearson and a grade awarded. Learners are permitted to resit external assessments during their programme.

Units are assessed using a grading scale of Distinction (D), Merit (M), Pass (P).

## This course is ideally suited to...

- ...learners who wish to develop skills and techniques within dance and gain an understanding of the creative process. This qualification also provides learners with the opportunity to develop all-round performance skills and transferable skills such as self-confidence, self-presentation, personal discipline, time management and organisational skills which are highly regarded by higher education and employers.
- \* Communication skills performing, communicating and presenting ideas to an audience \* Collaborative skills with a focus on self-management, teamwork and participation in group performance which develops collaborative skills and confidence building.

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