

LOVE LEARNING ENTRY LEVEL

*"We love spending time with our
friends while learning."
Steven Holdsworth, Adam Brown and Nick Wade*



Progression Pathways into Employment or Further Education

In 2010/11, Stratford-upon-Avon College introduced the Foundation Learning Tier (FLT) and Progression Pathways.

The FLT is a part of the wider 14-19 and vocational qualification reform programme. It aims to improve the skills of students working below Level 2, aged 14-19, through developing high quality credit-based qualifications at Entry Level and Level 1 in Qualifications and Credit Framework (QCF). Through personalised learning programmes based on Progression Pathways, the FLT reform will increase students' participation, achievement and progression.

In addition, students will study Functional Skills in English, Mathematics and ICT and undertake a personal development programme to prepare them to enter the workplace.

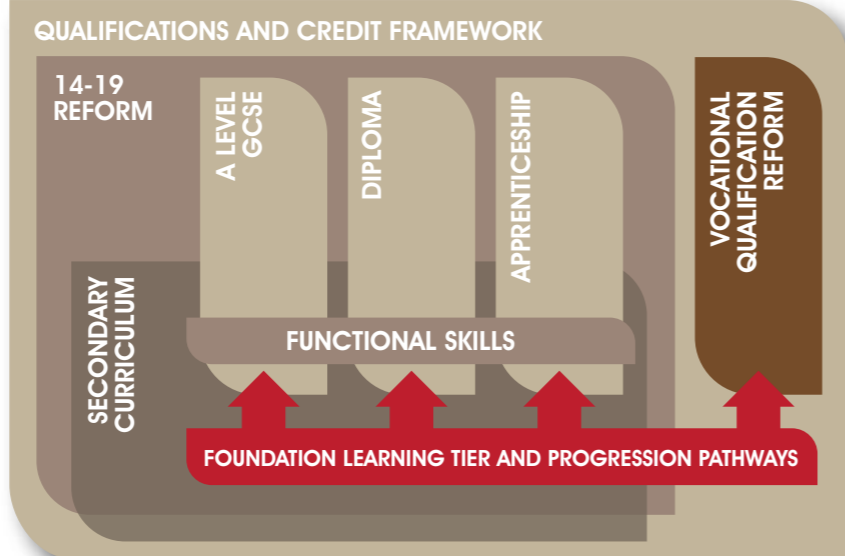
Entry Level courses are suitable for anyone over the age of 16 including those who have learning difficulties. The courses are typically full-time, three days a week and are first qualifications that can help individuals to obtain further training and/or a job.

They aim to:

- Provide an introduction to a vocational area
- Offer a flexible and accessible course of study
- Provide a broader course of study
- Encourage and develop English, Mathematics, ICT and Personal Skills

VOCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

| LEVEL 1 | Edexcel Level 1 BTEC Award | Edexcel Level 1 BTEC Certificate | Edexcel Level 1 BTEC Diploma |
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| ENTRY | Edexcel Entry Level BTEC Award | Edexcel Entry Level BTEC Certificate | Edexcel Entry Level BTEC Diploma |
| CREDIT VALUE | 1-12 | 13-36 | above 36 |



Edexcel Entry Level 1 BTEC Certificate in Personal Progress

This is a one-year qualification designed to be wide-ranging to allow learners working at Entry 1 or below to develop their skills in a number of different areas. The units cover areas such as communication, reading and writing, mathematics, developing skills for independent living, or developing skills for the workplace.

This Entry Level course is suitable for those with severe learning difficulties and aims to:

- Provide an introduction to a vocational area
- Offer a flexible and accessible course of study
- Provide a broader course of study
- Encourage and develop English, Mathematics, ICT and Personal Social Development
- Build confidence and independence

Assessment:

- Internal assessments
- Class work
- Individual Learning Plans (ILP)

Further Opportunities:

- If appropriate, a learner may progress to higher level qualifications (Entry Level 2 or 3)
- Supported employment

To Join the Course:

You will need the following:

- To successfully undertake an assessment and transition programme
- Related interests or experiences



LEARN SOMETHING YOU LOVE

Edexcel Entry Level 3 BTEC Award in Art and Design

This is an exciting new qualification designed to meet the needs and interests of the learner. This qualification will also give learners the chance to develop skills to progress within the Art and Design industry.

This Entry course is suitable for those with moderate learning difficulties and aims to:

- Provide an introduction to a vocational area
- Offer a flexible and accessible course of study
- Provide a broader course of study
- Encourage and develop English, Mathematics, ICT and Personal Social Development
- Build confidence and independence

Assessment:

- Internal assessments
- Class work
- Individual Learning Plans (ILP)

Further Opportunities:

- Take another qualification at Entry Level 3 if appropriate
- Take a qualification at Level 1
- Supported employment

To Join the Course:

You will need the following:

- To successfully undertake an assessment and transition programme
- Related interests or experiences





Edexcel Entry Level 3 BTEC Award in Business Administration

This is a new practical qualification designed around the needs and interests of the learner. The units introduce learners to basic business administration principles, how to behave in an office environment and how to use office equipment.

This Entry course is suitable for those with moderate learning difficulties and aims to:

- Provide an introduction to a vocational area
- Offer a flexible and accessible course of study
- Provide a broader course of study
- Encourage and develop English, Mathematics, ICT and Personal Social Development
- Build confidence and independence

Assessment:

- Internal assessments
- Class work
- Individual Learning Plans (ILP)

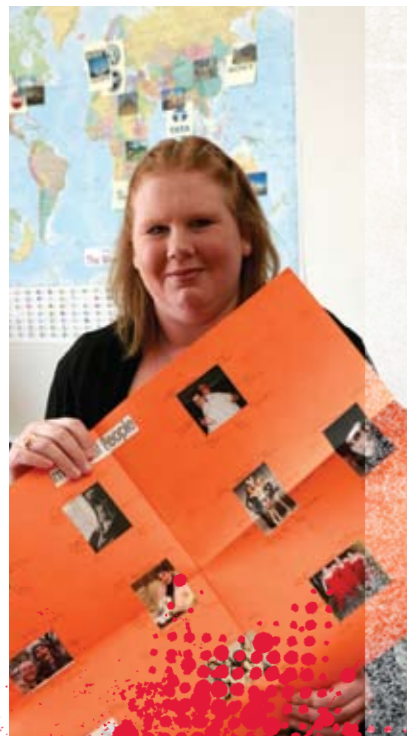
Further Opportunities:

- Take another qualification at Entry Level 3 if appropriate
- Take a qualification at Level 1
- Supported employment

To Join the Course:

You will need the following:

- To successfully undertake an assessment and transition programme
- Related interests or experiences



Edexcel Entry Level 3 BTEC Award in Health and Social Care

This qualification has been designed to help learners understand the skills and knowledge needed to work in the Health and Social Care sector.

This Entry course is suitable for those with moderate learning difficulties and aims to:

- Provide an introduction to a vocational area
- Offer a flexible and accessible course of study
- Provide a broader course of study
- Encourage and develop English, Mathematics, ICT and Personal Social Development
- Build confidence and independence

Assessment:

- Internal assessments
- Class work
- Individual Learning Plans (ILP)

Further Opportunities:

- Take another qualification at Entry Level 3 if appropriate
- Take a qualification at Level 1
- Supported employment

To Join the Course:

You will need the following:

- To successfully undertake an assessment and transition programme
- Related interests or experiences



Edexcel Entry Level 3 BTEC Award in Land-Based Studies

This is a new practical qualification designed to help learners gain the skills they would need to work in the Land-Based sector.

This Entry course is suitable for those with moderate learning difficulties and aims to:

- Provide an introduction to a vocational area
- Offer a flexible and accessible course of study
- Provide a broader course of study
- Encourage and develop English, Mathematics, ICT and Personal Social Development
- Build confidence and independence

Assessment:

- Internal assessments
- Class work
- Individual Learning Plans (ILP)

To Join the Course:

You will need the following:

- To successfully undertake an assessment and transition programme
- Related interests or experiences

Further Opportunities:

- Take another qualification at Entry Level 3 if appropriate
- Take a qualification at Level 1
- Supported employment



Edexcel Entry Level 3 BTEC Award in Performing Arts

This qualification aims to give learners the opportunity to develop skills and knowledge for the Performing Arts sector.

This Entry course is suitable for those with moderate learning difficulties and aims to:

- Provide an introduction to a vocational area
- Offer a flexible and accessible course of study
- Provide a broader course of study
- Encourage and develop English, Mathematics, ICT and Personal Social Development
- Build confidence and independence

Assessment:

- Internal assessments
- Class work
- Individual Learning Plans (ILP)

To Join the Course:

You will need the following:

- To successfully undertake an assessment and transition programme
- Related interests or experiences

Further Opportunities:

- Take another qualification at Entry Level 3 if appropriate
- Take a qualification at Level 1
- Supported employment



Edexcel Entry Level 3 BTEC Award in Sport and Active Leisure

This qualification has been designed to help learners understand the skills and knowledge needed to work in the Sport and Active Leisure sector.

This Entry course is suitable for those with moderate learning difficulties and aims to:

- Provide an introduction to a vocational area
- Offer a flexible and accessible course of study
- Provide a broader course of study
- Encourage and develop English, Mathematics, ICT and Personal Social Development
- Build confidence and independence

Assessment:

- Internal assessments
- Class work
- Individual Learning Plans (ILP)

To Join the Course:

You will need the following:

- To successfully undertake an assessment and transition programme
- Related interests or experiences

Further Opportunities:

- Take another qualification at Entry Level 3 if appropriate
- Take a qualification at Level 1
- Supported employment



XPAND Entry 3 / Level 1

Xpand has replaced the outgoing Entry to Employment programme at Stratford-upon-Avon College. It is a dynamic new course offering a choice of pathways for students to enter skilled employment or full-time education. Xpand believes in the future of students and their abilities.

Entry 3 and Level 1 programmes are available. Students will initially be assessed during their induction to determine which programme is appropriate for them.

We will enable students to:

- Open their eyes to their own potential
- Explore the choices in life they can make
- Support them with their goals in life

Students will develop their personal and study skills and obtain nationally-recognised qualifications that will open doors for progression. Students will also have the opportunity to explore a range of subjects, all delivered by specialist staff in the appropriate curriculum area.

The areas offered will be:

- Motor Vehicle
- Construction
- Art and Design
- Retail Knowledge
- Functional Skills
- Personal Social Development Award
- Tutorial

There are two 'Xpand' courses:

Entry 3

Students must achieve the following to complete this level of qualification within the Foundation Learning Curriculum:

- Vocational (6 credits)
 - Personal Social Development (3 credits)
 - Functional Skills Entry (15 credits)
- Credits = 24

Level 1

Students must achieve the following to complete this level of qualification within the Foundation Learning Curriculum:

- Vocational (7 credits)
- Personal Social Development (3 credits)
- Functional Skills Level 1 (15 credits)

Credits = 25

