

BTEC Extended Certificate

Student representative

Lucy Morton

“ A Fantastic course which lends itself directly to real careers. I would highly recommend you to take this course if you are seriously considering it.”



Exam Board: Edexcel

Duration: 1 Year

What is it worth? 2 GCSEs

Why take this course? Who is it for?

The BTEC First Diploma in Public Services is designed to equip you with the knowledge, understanding and skills required for success when moving towards a career in the uniformed services, for example; Police, Emergency Fire Services, Prison Service, Security or Armed Services. This course will allow you to investigate the uniformed service – what they are, what do people who work from them do, what careers are available to them. You will, through the units studied find out what people in the different services do in their job roles, how they work and how they interact with each other. You will find out how the services interact with each other and the meaning of the inter-agency working. As all the uniformed services are different, yet important within their individual roles across the public services, you will be encouraged to investigate these differences and decide for yourself the service that appeals to you the most.

What does this course involve?

In this course you will be involved in an extremely practical course with a large emphasis on team work. You will study the course through a combination of taught sessions, role play, group work, presentations, visits and displays. The units you will study include: Uniformed Public Service Employment, Public Service Skills, Uniformed Public Service Fitness Citizenship, The Individual and Society, The Value of Sport and Recreation in the Public Services, Crime and its Effects on Society.

What possible progression routes are available after taking this course?

BTEC National Diploma in Public Services (Level 3) or any other level 3 course. The course works particularly well with those students studying for their BTEC sport level 2 or level 3. After doing a Level 3 qualification you progress to a degree level course in Public Service Management as a single subject or combined with another, such as, countryside management, sports development or outdoor recreation.

What are the special features?

An opportunity to be guided through the actual application procedure for a public service job, to complete an actual fitness test, to meet and work with real public service workers.

What possible careers follow on from this course?

This is an ideal course if you wish to pursue a career in the Armed Forces, Police, Fire Service, Ambulance, Prison Service, Security, Customs and Excise, Leisure or Youth and Community work.

How you will be assessed?

Your coursework will be assessed continually throughout the year. There are no exams.

Who do I see for further information?

Mr Speed,

Current Results

100% A-C

P
Public Services