

Work Skills

Business Studies

Student representative

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This course gives valuable opportunities to work alongside dedicated professionals, experiencing the work environment. Through work skills and health and Safety we explore leadership, how business and organisations are run and prepare for the world of work.



Exam Board: Edexcel BTEC

Duration: 1 Year

What is it worth? 2 GCSEs

Why take this course? Who is it for?

This course is for students who have a general but unsure idea of what careers they may wish to pursue but would like to gain a taste of what it is like in those industries prior to committing themselves. This is for students capable of achieving level 2.

What does this course involve?

You will attend the academy for 4 days a week and work with Business and Enterprise South Yorkshire (BE-SY) for one day per week. On the academy based course, you will undertake BTEC qualification Work Skills, plus a short courses about health and safety, CV and application writing and interview techniques. As part of the BE-SY aspect you will have the opportunity to undertake a one day per week work placement in a sector of industry ranging from legal, customer service, retail, hair and beauty, car mechanisation sectors. There may be more on offer depending upon the student's interest and employer availability.

What possible progression routes are available after taking this course?

You may be able to progress onto an apprenticeship, dependent upon your performance, attitude and the availability of places. You can pursue Sixth Form courses that will enable you to study career specific courses at higher education level, or you may wish to enter into employment with a range of work experience under your belt. Having undertaken work experience courses as part of your GCSEs, you have something more to offer in terms of enrichment experience when applying for university or college.

What are the special features?

BTEC assessment and one day per week work experience in a chosen sector of industry.

What possible careers follow on from this course?

Any careers relative to the sectors of industry that have been tasted, or indeed any career that involves customer service skills.

How you will be assessed?

You will be assessed online through the Edexcel Work Skills course, worth one GCSE and a level 2 qualification in Health and Safety also worth one GCSE.

Who do I see for further information?

Current results
100% A-C