

BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Performing Arts (Dance)



What will I learn on this course?

The BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma is an intensive and exciting 2 year course, delivered by highly qualified teaching staff who cover different aspects of the Performing Arts Dance programme.

The focus of the course is on the study of dance within a vocational context. You will develop the technical, expressive and performance skills necessary to progress onto further vocational or higher education in dance; alongside developing the choreographic, contextual and theoretical knowledge that will enable you to be successful on the course.

How is the course structured?

The BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma includes 7 mandatory units and 6 optional units studied across 2 years. Within the mandatory units are 5 externally assessed units that will be divided up so they complete some in their first year and the remainder in their second year of the course. (These exams are set by the exam board.)

How will I study?

You will study a broad range of dance and movement techniques over the two years which will include a selection of:

- Unit 8: Classical Ballet Technique
- Unit 9: Tap Dance Technique
- Unit 10: Jazz Dance Technique
- Unit 11: Street Dance Technique
- Unit 12: Contemporary Dance Technique
- Unit 26: Physical Theatre Techniques

You will also study a range of the following units:

- **Unit 1: Investigating Practitioners' Work**
- Unit 2: Developing Skills and Techniques for Live Performance
- **Unit 3: Group Performance Workshop**
- Unit 4: Performing Arts in the Community
- **Unit 5: Individual Performance Commission**
- **Unit 6: Final Live Performance to an Audience**
- **Unit 7: Progression Opportunities in Performing Arts**
- Unit 14: Choreographing for Live Performance
- Unit 22: Movement in Performance
- Unit 28: Variety Performance



How will I be assessed?

The BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Dance consists of 13 units which will be studied over two years. The emboldened unit titles are externally assessed tasks which are set by the exam board. The remaining units are personalised to each student and are assessed internally and externally moderated by the exam board. You will be assessed through both studio and live performance, in addition to being video recorded for the majority of your external units. There is a significant proportion of written work which is as important as practical dance work and as such students will develop their academic skills to the same high level as their practical work.

Additional Activities:

Studying here at BOA will enable you to attend regular theatre trips, perform in two professional standard theatres, or join one of our in house dance companies who have performed at events such as “Free Radio Live” and “U Dance.” We also host regular professional dancers and dance companies who deliver aspects of the curriculum in addition to creating work on our students. At BOA we aim to maximise opportunities for students on Dance and allow them to experience the industry.

Further Learning & Career Options

Students’ experiences at BOA will enable progress to vocational dance training or Degree Courses in Dance/ Musical Theatre, Community Dance, Dance Therapy, or Dance Science. The dance course at BOA enables students to work in areas such as dance performance, choreography, community, arts administration and management and education/ teaching.

