

Recording Your Achievement

BTEC National Diploma

Your course is made up of units. As you complete each unit your tutor will tell you what grade you have achieved - Pass, Merit or Distinction. To ensure that your assessed work has been marked fairly Edexcel checks samples of tutors' marking. This process usually takes place in February and the grades given for your assessed units can change as a result.

When you have completed all the units of the course you will receive three overall grades for your qualification - again Pass, Merit or Distinction. These are the grades that will be shown on your certificate and that you should give when you apply for higher education or employment.

To calculate your overall grades, points are allocated to the grades you have achieved:

For each unit	
Pass	2 points
Merit	4 points
Distinction	6 points

The points are added together to give your final grades as follows:

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Points	Grades
86-108	DDD
74-84	DDM
70-72	DMM
60-68	MMM
54-58	MMP
44-52	MPP
36-42	PPP

This document should be used for the following legacy BTEC National qualifications (accredited for first teaching prior to September 2007):

- BTEC National Diploma in 3D Design
- BTEC National Diploma in Art and Design
- BTEC National Diploma in Design Crafts
- BTEC National Diploma in Fashion and Clothing
- BTEC National Diploma in Fine Art
- BTEC National Diploma in Graphic Design
- BTEC National Diploma in Multimedia
- BTEC National Diploma in Photography
- BTEC National Diploma in Textiles

- BTEC National Diploma in Care
- BTEC National Diploma in Early Years *
- BTEC National Diploma in Health Studies

- BTEC National Diploma in Land-based Technology
- BTEC National Diploma in Land-based Technology (Analytical)
- BTEC National Diploma in Land-based Technology (Technical)

- BTEC National Diploma in Media (Audio)
- BTEC National Diploma in Media (e-Media)
- BTEC National Diploma in Media (Games Development)
- BTEC National Diploma in Media (Moving Image)
- BTEC National Diploma in Media (Publishing)

- BTEC National Diploma in Music Practice *
- BTEC National Diploma in Music Technology *

- BTEC National Diploma in Performing Arts (Acting)
- BTEC National Diploma in Performing Arts (Dance)
- BTEC National Diploma in Performing Arts (Design)
- BTEC National Diploma in Performing Arts (Musical Theatre)
- BTEC National Diploma in Performing Arts (Performance)
- BTEC National Diploma in Performing Arts (Production)
- BTEC National Diploma in Performing Arts (Technical)

* the BTEC National Diplomas in Early Years, Music Practice and Music Technology consist of 17 units. In each qualification, one of these is a double value unit