

BTEC Level 3 Qualifications

BTEC Level 3 qualifications offer an excellent alternative to traditional A Levels and carry A Level equivalence. Many students in the UAE have gone on to access studies in a range of disciplines using their BTEC qualification but it is important to research pathways thoroughly before selecting a course of study whether A-level or BTEC.

Learning is directed towards a particular vocational area but the skills learned are transferable and highly valued by employers and educational institutions worldwide. It is now widely acknowledged that the job market is changing rapidly and whilst knowledge is important, enterprising skills such as adaptability, creative thinking and decision making are highly sought after skills.

Students work on assignments, both individually and in groups, such as a group event or manager-employee role-play. BTEC courses provide opportunities for students to gather evidence in a wide variety of ways other than written text, e.g. film clips, project proposals, business plans and training booklets. Most assignments will also be linked to the real workplace through visits or visiting speakers. Clear guidelines are given on what students have to achieve and how they can do this. Students will have to meet deadlines set by teachers but can do this at their own pace rather than having to perform to the time constraints of an exam. The progress of individuals is monitored by teachers who provide personal support and guidance, helping students develop their learning skills and to reach their full potential. Students get to learn progressively starting from small-scale and simple topics, progressing to larger more complex themes.



