

Performing Arts Drama



**BTEC Extended
Certificate
Equivalent to 1 A Level**

This course is closely industry related, helping you gain practical skills essential for pursuing a career in acting. The two-year programme develops your skills in both the Performance and Business industry. It develops your professionalism, organisation and confidence, preparing you for university, work or planning your own business.

Entry Requirements

- **Minimum Standard:** Five or more grades at 4+ in GCSE or equivalent, including English and Maths.
- **Additional Criteria:** Minimum standard with a 5+ in Drama or relevant qualifications.

What will you learn?

During the course, you will be involved with the Bourne Academy Acting company, where you will be invited to perform at multiple events externally and internally. You will be given the opportunity to showcase professional work that you have learnt and created. You will participate in professional workshops that develop your skills and techniques as well as receiving additional support in audition preparation. This course allows you take a journey through the start of your professional career, which enables you to see your own progress as you will track this through your coursework, both written and practical. You will study a variety of styles and decide what your strengths are to ensure you can become the best performer. Competition for careers within the performing arts industry is highly competitive and you will need to show enthusiasm, drive, determination and professionalism.

How will you learn?

You will learn mainly through practical workshops, rehearsals and live performances, developing your skills in Acting, Dance and/or Musical Theatre. You will work both independently and as part of The Bourne Academy Performing Arts Company, perform at Academy and external events, analyse professional work and take part in specialist workshops to prepare you for further study and the performing arts industry.

You will be assessed through a combination of practical performance work, written coursework, and controlled assessments—there are no traditional sit-down written exams.

How will you be assessed?

58.3%

Two externally assessed units covering practitioners' work (25%) and group performance (33.3%).

41.7%

Practical skills and techniques for live performance (25%) and an optional specialist unit (16.7%).

Where will it take you?

The qualification provides learners with the opportunity to develop performance skills and transferable skills such as self-confidence, self-presentation, personal discipline, time management and organisational skills. It also develops research, independent learning, extended writing, sourcing and evaluating information. The qualification carries UCAS points and can support progression to degree programmes, BTEC Higher Nationals, Foundation Degrees or Higher Apprenticeships in the performing arts sector.

Who should you talk to?

Please speak to Mrs Parsons or email:
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