

Music Technology

Course overview

A Level

Level 3

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This engaging course will enable you to use industry standard software used by musicians or composers to make or perform music; play back or record songs or pieces; or to analyse or edit music.

Entry Requirements

You must have a minimum of 5 grades 9-4 (equivalent to A*-C) at GCSE, including English and Maths at grade 4, plus you must also meet the specific subject entry requirements.

Subject Specific Requirements

An interest in recording, computer sequencing and composition. Performance on one instrument and keyboard skills.

Popular Subject Combinations

A Level: Film, Physics, Maths, Philosophy

BTEC: Music Performance, Business, Media

Possible Enrichment Opportunities

Jam Session
Musicality

What will I learn?

This is a practical course in which you will learn how to use the College's recording studio and Logic music software for mixing, sequencing, arranging and composing. You will develop your listening skills through analysis of a range of musical genres, from 1930s – today.

How will I be assessed?

Assessment is both practical and written assessment:

Recording Music using Technology
(practical assessment, worth 25% of the marks)

Composing Music using Technology
(practical assessment, worth 25% of the marks)

Listening and Analysing
(written exam, worth 25% of the marks)

Analysing and production
(written exam, worth 25% of the marks)

The written and practical assessments both contributes towards 50% each of your A Level.

Where might it lead?

Students have progressed on to study Music; Music Technology and Music Production at special colleges and Universities such as: BIMM; ACM; Leeds Beckett; Bath Spa; Metropolitan.

Possible career paths:

- Studio sound engineer
- Live sound engineer
- Technician
- Producer / Production artist
- Music business & innovation

If you would like further information about this course please contact the admissions team at