



IT Introductory Diploma LEVEL 3 (A LEVEL EQUIVALENT)

EXAMINATION BOARD

OCR Cambridge Technicals

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENT

5 x 9 - 4 Grades, including Grade 9 – 4 English and Mathematics

GCSE English Language & Literature 9 -4

THE COURSE

This qualification is designed for learners who want to continue their education through applied learning by developing their knowledge and understanding of the principles of IT and global information systems. IT is one of the most popular vocational qualifications offered by OCR and is awarded the same amount of UCAS points as the conventional A Levels. Achievement of this qualification can support progression to go on and study relevant IT degrees in a Higher Education institution such as, Computing and IT, Computing Science, Software Developments, Software Engineering, ICT and Computer Networks or Business Information Systems.

BENEFITS / ASSESSMENT

- Supports progression to go on and study degrees
- Includes 2 practical units – learn, do, review
- Develops transferable skills for the workplace or future studies

Over 2 years you will need to complete 5 units of work of which the first 3 units are mandatory.

- Fundamentals of IT
- Global Information
- Cyber Security

The other 2 units are project based coursework that involves a product, such as website being develop. These 2 units are internally assessed by your teacher in school and then moderated by the Examination Board.

- Product Development
- Mobile Technology

The qualification carries 3 possible awards:–

Distinction - Equivalent to an A Grade at A Level
Merit - Equivalent to a C Grade at A Level
Pass - Equivalent to a D/E Grade at A Level

FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES

Since this course carries UCAS points it is an excellent course for students wishing to prepare themselves for Further and Higher Education. The practical knowledge, skills and understanding you learn in this course are especially relevant for employment where employers can immediately benefit from this industry-relevant, vocationally geared and stimulating course.

SUPPORTING SUBJECTS

This course combines well with any other course of study and provides an interesting and highly motivational way to achieve great levels of success. In particular, this course is well suited to those students who have enjoyed completing a Level 2 vocational IT course and wish to take their IT and computing skills to a higher level.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Website Manager, Website Designer, Games Designer.
Almost **ALL** jobs will require evidence of sound IT skills!

STUDENT COMMENTS

“Most jobs these days involve computers and it will be able to help me in my later job.”

“When you have a problem the teachers are always here to help.”

“This course is very interesting and I have enjoyed completing every unit.”