

# QUALIFICATIONS & PROGRESSION ROUTES



**Studying at Northampton College provides great opportunities to progress through the levels of qualifications into Higher Education, Apprenticeships and employment.**

## ENTRY CRITERIA GUIDE

Below you can see a guide to the progression routes available. Some courses require higher grades than indicated below or additional evidence of your suitability such as a portfolio or audition. This is specified in the entry requirements for each course on our website.

QUALIFICATION LEVEL	TYPICAL ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
ENTRY AND FOUNDATION	<b>GCSEs - MAINLY 2 - 1 (F - G) GRADES. SATISFACTORY SCHOOL REFERENCE<sup>1</sup></b>
LEVEL 1	<b>FOUR GCSEs AT GRADE 2 (E) OR ABOVE</b>
LEVEL 2	<b>FOUR GCSEs AT GRADE 3 (D) OR ABOVE</b>
LEVEL 3	<b>FOUR GCSEs AT GRADE 9-4 (A* - C) FOR BTEC COURSES OR EQUIVALENT, ACCESS TO HE COURSES HAVE INDIVIDUAL ENTRY REQUIREMENTS.</b>
LEVEL 4/5	<b>A LEVEL 3 QUALIFICATION SUCH AS: A LEVELS, BTEC LEVEL 3, ACCESS TO HE, ADVANCED APPRENTICESHIP</b>

- Equivalent qualifications will be considered.
- In exceptional circumstances, applications which do not meet the formal entry criteria may be considered on an individual basis.
- For certain courses, more specific entry criteria may apply.