

### Inclusion of the Edexcel BTEC Level 3 National qualifications on the QCF

The following Level 3 BTEC qualifications - accredited on the Qualifications and Credit Framework (QCF) - and the Edexcel Level 3 GCE A and AS Levels attract UCAS points. BTEC Level 3 Nationals and the BTEC Levels 3 and 4 Foundation Diploma in Art and Design (QCF) are on the UCAS Tariff (Universities and Colleges Admissions Service). In addition, from September 2010, an increasing number of BTEC level 3 Specialist qualifications also attract UCAS points for the first time (see attached list). UCAS Points can count towards entry to degree and higher education programmes, and it is worth noting that the use of the UCAS Tariff amongst HE institutions is not mandatory either in expressing indicative entry requirements or in making offers and you may find that institutions do not use the Tariff for either of these purposes.

To find out more about applying for university and college places in higher education through UCAS please visit the UCAS website: [www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com).

GCE Qualifications		UCAS Tariff points	BTEC Level 3 Nationals (QCF)				BTEC Level 3 and 4 Foundation Diploma in Art and Design (QCF)
AS	A Level		Extended Diploma	Diploma	Subsidiary Diploma	Certificate	
		420	D*D*D*				
		400	D*D*D				
		380	D*DD				
		360	DDD				
		320	DDM				
		285					Distinction
		280	DMM	D*D*			
		260		D*D			
		240	MMM	DD			
		225					Merit
		200	MMP	DM			
		165					Pass
		160	MPP	MM			
	A*	140			D*		
	A	120	PPP	MP	D		
	B	100					
	C	80		PP	M		
		70				D*	
A	D	60				D	
B		50					
C	E	40			P	M	
D		30					
E		20				P	

D\*=Distinction Starred, D=Distinction, M=Merit, P=Pass

The Tariff pages of the UCAS website have been updated to incorporate the agreed points and can be found here: [www.ucas.ac.uk/advisers/ucas\\_tariff/tables#btecqcf](http://www.ucas.ac.uk/advisers/ucas_tariff/tables#btecqcf).