

20202 08 BTEC First Diploma in Performing Arts (Performance) Level 2

This practical course of study is directly related to a career in performance and media, enabling you to develop the skills and techniques essential for success in your working life.

Course Duration
One year

Course Content
Students will study:
Two compulsory Core Units

- The Performing Arts Business
- Performing Art Production Process.

Plus four specialist units from the following list:

- Understanding Dance
- Performing Dance

- Body Workshop
- Contemporary Dance
- Jazz Dance
- Musical Theatre
- Performing Scripted Plays
- Devising Plays.

We have close connections with the new Dunstable theatre, offering pathways in dance and drama.

Key Skills
All students aged 16-18 are required to complete the three Key Skills Units in Communication, Application of Number and Information Technology.

Qualifications/experience needed to join the course

You will need at least one of the following:

- A BTEC Foundation Certificate in a related subject
- Four GCSE passes at grades D-G or above
- Related work experience
- Other related Level 1 or 2 qualifications.

Study Centre
Main Site, Kingsway, Dunstable.

After the course is finished
This qualification could lead to a BTEC National Diploma in Performing Arts or Media, or employment in administrative or technical roles in the Performing Arts industries.

20203 08 BTEC National Diploma in Performing Arts (Dance) Level 3

This course is a practical work-related course specialising in dance using our new professional dance space.

Course Duration
Two years

Course Content
The course consists of five Core Units:

- Performance Workshop
- The Performing Arts Business
- Performing Arts in Context
- Rehearsing
- Performing (Major Project) (double).

and 12 Specialist Units, which could include some of the following:

- Dance Performance
- Choreography
- Dance Improvisation
- Physical Theatre
- Body Maintenance
- Ballet
- Contemporary
- Jazz
- Tap

- Movement
- The Freelance World
- Musical Theatre.

Students will use the skills acquired in the above units to develop and perform a production.
All students will be allocated a personal tutor and will receive regular one-to-one personal tutorials throughout the year.
There will also be visits to concerts and performances. We have close connections with the new Dunstable theatre, offering pathways in dance and drama.

Key Skills
All students aged 16-18 are required to complete the three Key Skills Units in Communication, Application of Number and Information Technology.

Qualifications/experience needed to join the course
You will need at least one of the following:

- A BTEC First Certificate or

- Diploma in a related subject
- At least four GCSEs at grades A-C
- Appropriate work experience.

Study Centre
Main Site, Kingsway, Dunstable.

After the course is finished
BTEC National Diplomas are valued by employers and higher education (universities and colleges).

For further study you could take a degree or a Foundation Degree in:

- Performing Arts
- Dance/Leisure Studies
- Dance and Theatre Studies.



Foundation Degrees are offered in conjunction with the University of Bedfordshire to help you further your studies:

- Foundation Degree (FdA) in Graphic Design and Advertising
- Foundation Degree (FdA) in Contemporary Fine Art Practice
- Foundation Degree (FdA) in Creative and Editorial Photography
- Foundation Degree (FdA) in Fashion and Surface Pattern Design
- BA (Hons) Graphic Design for Print and New Media



Note: For further information please ask for the Higher Education course information leaflets.

26101 08 VTCT Beauty Therapy Level 2

This is a one year course which teaches students the skills required either to continue their studies or for employment in salons.

Course Duration
One year

Course Content
Students will study:

- Health & Safety
- Salon Reception
- Promote Products and Services to Clients
- Develop and Maintain Effectiveness at Work
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Facials
- Make-up and False Lashes
- Lash and Brow Tinting
- Eyebrow Shaping
- Eyelash Perming
- Waxing
- Manicure
- Pedicure.

Students will work with clients in the College beauty salons.

Students are required to purchase a kit and uniform. Details of this will be discussed at interview.

Key Skills
All students aged 16-18 are required to complete the three Key Skills Units in Communication, Application of Number and Information Technology.

Qualifications/experience needed to join the course
There are two NVQ Level 2 Beauty Therapy courses running:

1. 16 -18 year olds
Applicants require three GCSEs at Grade C or above. At the interview, applicants need to demonstrate a strong interest in the subject and the ability to cope with coursework.
All students will be invited to attend a College interview.

2. 19 + mature students
Applicants need no specific entry requirements apart from a strong interest in the subject.
All students will be invited to attend a College interview.

Both these courses will run at different times, the mature students' course being timetabled to fit in with childcare commitments.

Study Centre
Kingsland Skills Institute, Houghton Regis.

After the course is finished
On successful completion, students can progress to the NVQ Level 3 Beauty Therapy course.

26102 08 VTCT Beauty Therapy Level 3

This course is of one year's duration and covers the more detailed and specialist beauty techniques, and takes candidates on from the skills learnt on NVQ Level 2 Beauty Therapy.
This course will help you gain employment in the beauty industry.

Course Duration
One year

Course Content
Students will study:

- Health and Safety
- Salon Reception
- Promote Products and Services to Clients
- Develop and Maintain Effectiveness at Work
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Figure Diagnosis
- Body Massage
- Facial Electrics
- Epilation
- Advanced Nails.

Students will work with clients in the College beauty salons.
Students are required to purchase a kit and uniform. Details of this will be discussed at interview.

Key Skills
All students aged 16-18 are required to complete the three Key Skills Units in Communication, Application of Number and Information Technology.

Qualifications/experience needed to join the course
There are two NVQ Level 3 Beauty Therapy courses running:

1. 16 -18 year olds
Students must have NVQ Level 2 Beauty Therapy qualification or equivalent.
All students will be invited to attend a College interview.
2. 19 + mature students
Students must have NVQ Level 2 Beauty Therapy qualification or equivalent.
All students will be invited to attend a College interview.

After the course is finished
On successful completion of Level 3, students can progress on to employment in beauty salons, health farms, health clinics, hospitals, cruise liners, hotels or as beauty consultants with cosmetic companies or even teaching in further education.



Both these courses will run at different times, the mature students' course being timetabled to fit in with childcare commitments.

Study Centre
Kingsland Skills Institute, Houghton Regis.

26103 08 VTCT Diploma in Theatrical and Media Make-Up

Level 3

This course is designed to focus on the skills and techniques used in theatrical and media make-up.

Course Duration
One year

Course Content

This is a comprehensive diploma covering the use of make-up for theatrical, photographic, film, television and display purposes.

This will include the study of:

- Preparing for and providing character make-up
- Providing and removing special effects and media make-up

- Health and Safety in the workplace
- Professionalism.

Note: Students will need to purchase a uniform and additional equipment to enable practical study; details of this will be discussed at the interview.

Key Skills

All students aged 16-18 are required to complete the three Key Skills Units in Communication, Application of Number and Information Technology.

Qualifications/experience needed to join the course

There are no specific entry requirements needed to join the course, however all

applicants will be invited to attend a College interview. A standard make-up qualification would be an advantage.

Study Centre

Kingsland Skills Institute, Houghton Regis.

After the course is finished

On successful completion of this qualification, students can progress to employment within the specialised beauty industry, theatre, television and films, or on to higher education or qualifications including prosthetics and wig-making.

26107 08 NVQ in Hairdressing

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Level 1

Level 2

This course is designed to give theory and practical aspects of the skills needed in hairdressing.

Course Duration

Level 1: One year
Level 2: One year

Level 1 must be completed in full before progressing to Level 2.

Course Content

Students will study the theory and practical aspects of the following:

- Shampooing
- Cutting
- Blow Drying/Setting
- Colouring

- Perming
- Health & Safety.

Students will work with clients in the College salons which are fully operational and benefit from professional guest presentations and seminars.

Note: Students will be required to purchase a uniform and additional equipment to enable practical study; details of this will be discussed at the interview.

Key Skills

All students aged 16-18 are required to complete the three Key Skills Units in Communication, Application of Number and Information Technology.

Qualifications/experience needed to join the course

There are no formal qualifications required but students who are 16-18 years old will require references/school report and basic skills tests. All students must have a keen interest in hairdressing. All applicants will be invited to attend an interview.

Study Centre

Kingsland Skills Institute, Houghton Regis.

After the course is finished

On successful completion of Level 2, students can eventually progress to Level 3 or employment in hair salons, health farms, cruise liners or set up their own business.

100% pass rate for mature students in 2006/07

26105 08 VTCT in Spa Therapy

Level 3

This course gives a focus on the skills and techniques used in spa therapy. This includes the set up and shut down of spa facilities including a study of water temperature.

Course Duration

One year

Course Content

Students will study the theory and practical aspects of the following:

- Health, Safety, Security and Employment Standards
- Customer Services and Product Sales
- Contribute to the Financial Effectiveness of the Business

- Provide Head and Body Massage Treatments
- Set up, Monitor, and Shut down
- Water Temperature and Spa Facilities
- Provide Specialist Spa Treatments
- Provide Indian Head Massage
- Provide Massage using Pre-Blended Aromatherapy Oils
- Anatomy and Physiology.

Students will work with clients in the College beauty salons.

Students are required to purchase a kit and uniform. Details of this will be discussed at interview.

Qualifications/experience needed to join the course

This course is for age 19+ mature students. There are no specific requirements, however all applicants will be invited to attend an interview.

Study Centre

Kingsland Skills Institute, Houghton Regis.

After the course is finished

This course can lead to employment in spas at home and abroad, cruise ships, health clinics and other beauty/spa organisations or could help someone set up their own business.

26106 08 VTCT Diploma in Holistic Therapies

Level 3

This course is designed to give theory and practical aspects of the skills needed in holistics.

Course Duration

One year

Course Content

Students will study the theory and practical aspects of the following:

- Anatomy & Physiology
- Body Massage
- Aromatherapy
- Reflexology
- Nutrition
- Interpersonal Skills
- Reception Duties
- Health & Safety in the Workplace
- Indian Head Massage.

Students will work with clients in the College clinic and have the opportunity to attend professional seminars.

Note: Students will be required to purchase a uniform and additional equipment to enable practical study; details of this will be discussed at the interview.

Key Skills

All students aged 16-18 are required to complete the three Key Skills Units in Communication, Application of Number and Information Technology.

Qualifications/experience needed to join the course

This course is designed for mature students and has no specific entry requirements. All applicants will be invited to attend a College interview.

Study Centre

Kingsland Skills Institute, Houghton Regis.

After the course is finished

On successful completion of this course, students can continue their studies with additional courses e.g. Indian Head Massage, Aromatherapy for Carers. This qualification can also lead to employment in holistic clinics, beauty salons, health farms, alternative therapy practices or students may wish to set up their own businesses.

