

## Science BTEC Level 1 and Level 2 First Award in Principles of Applied Science

The first award in the Principles of Applied Science enables students to study Science from a vocational view point.

The course is based upon students producing a portfolio of evidence covering a range of scientific topics.

The First Award in the Principles of Applied Science consists of four mandatory units. There are three internally assessed core units comprising of a portfolio of coursework; these three units make up 75% of the course. One other unit is studied in preparation for an external written examination that can be taken in November, March and June and is worth 25% of the course.

BTEC Level 1/Level 2 First Award in Principles of Applied Science is taught over 120 guided learning hours. Each unit is delivered over 30 guided learning hours.

This course is a level 2 qualification however, it is graded at Level 2 Pass, Level 2 Merit, Level 2 Distinction, Level 2 Distinction\*, Level 1 and Unclassified.

### The course:

- Gives students the opportunity to gain a broad understanding and knowledge of science principles and practice.
- Provides a foundation for students to access GCSE Science and GCSE Additional Science.
- Allows progress from this qualification to the Edexcel BTEC Level 1/Level 2 First Award in Application of Science.
- Allows students to progress to the BTEC Level 3 Nationals in Applied Science, including the Forensic Science and Medical Science endorsed pathways. Learners can also progress to a range of BTEC Level 2 National qualifications in related areas such as Beauty Therapy Science, Health and Social Care, Sport and Exercise Science, Engineering, Construction, Land-based, Pharmacy Services or Dental Technology.
- Provides technical and employability skills, knowledge and understanding which are transferable.
- Is recognised by employers and education institutions.

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