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16 to 19 performance tables: applied general qualifications 2016

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16 to 19 performance tables: applied general qualifications

These Applied General qualifications have been approved for reporting in the 2016 16-19 School and College Performance Tables (published in early 2017). The list of approved qualifications applies to courses taught from September 2014.

Applied General qualifications are level 3 (advanced) qualifications that provide broad study of a vocational area. They are recognised by at least three Higher Education Institutions¹ as fulfilling entry requirements to a range of HE courses, either in their own right or alongside other Level 3 qualifications. Some employers and professional/trade bodies have also pledged support for Applied General qualifications.

To help students and parents decide which vocational qualifications best meet their learning needs and aspirations, this list provides links which for each qualification, direct the reader to:

- a statement summarising the **purpose** of the Applied General qualification and the courses it could lead to; and
- **letters of support** from Higher Education Institutions, and in some cases from industry.

Please note: this information was correct on 11th December 2013 but is held on external websites for which the Department for Education is not responsible. Please report any omissions to:

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Applied General qualifications **do not** count towards the new Technical Baccalaureate measure as they do not equip a student with specialist knowledge and skills.

This document also lists 'pending qualifications' which, subject to awarding organisations securing and demonstrating support from at least three Higher Education Institutions by 31st January 2014, will also be approved as Applied General qualifications. An updated list of approved Applied General qualifications will be published in Spring 2014.

From 2016, 16-19 Performance Tables will report Academic, Tech Level and Applied General qualifications separately. This will help parents and students make meaningful judgements about schools and colleges that offer different kinds of courses.

Schools and colleges may offer qualifications that are not included in the performance tables, if approved for teaching to 16-19 year olds, and in all cases should act as they judge to be in the best interests of their students.

¹ 'Higher Education Institutions' refer to universities and Further Education colleges funded by the Higher Education Funding Council for England to provide higher education, research and related activities.

Applied general approved qualifications

Applied General Agriculture, Horticulture and Animal Care

QAN	Qualification Title	Size (GLH) 1 A Level = 360(GLH)	Recognised by an industry or professional body?	Recognised by at least five employers?	Recognised by higher education institutions?	Qualification purpose statement
	Environmental Sustainability					
600/0319/4	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Certificate in Environmental Sustainability (QCF)	180	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/0321/2	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma in Environmental Sustainability (QCF)	360	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/0324/8	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Environmental Sustainability (QCF)	720	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/0320/0	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Environmental Sustainability (QCF)	1080	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>

Applied General Arts, Media and Publishing

QAN	Qualification Title	Size (GLH) 1 A Level = 360(GLH)	Recognised by an industry or professional body?	Recognised by at least five employers?	Recognised by higher education institutions?	Qualification purpose statement
Art and Design						
500/8551/7	NCFE Level 3 Certificate in Art and Design (QCF)	160			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/6094/3	OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Certificate in Art and Design (QCF)	180			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/7144/0	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma in Art and Design (QCF)	360	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/2827/0	UAL Level 3 Diploma in Art & Design (QCF)	570			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/5316/4	UAL Level 3 Diploma in Art and Design - Foundation Studies (QCF)	680			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/7928/1	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Foundation Diploma in Art and Design (QCF)	720	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/2826/9	UAL Level 3 Extended Diploma in Art & Design (QCF)	1110			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
Performing Arts						

601/0111/8	OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Certificate in Performing Arts (QCF)	180			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/6920/2	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Certificate in Performing Arts (QCF)	180			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
601/0249/4	OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Introductory Diploma in Performing Arts (QCF)	360			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/6919/6	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma in Performing Arts (QCF)	360	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
601/0250/0	OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Subsidiary Diploma in Performing Arts (QCF)	540			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/3953/X	Pearson BTEC Level 3 90-credit Diploma in Performing Arts (QCF)	540	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>

601/0247/0	OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Diploma in Performing Arts (QCF)	720			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/6873/8	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Performing Arts (QCF)	720	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
601/0248/2	OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Extended Diploma in Performing Arts (QCF)	1080			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/6872/6	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Performing Arts (QCF)	1080	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
Music						
500/7718/1	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Certificate in Music (QCF)	180			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/7844/6	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma in Music (QCF)	360	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/6682/9	Pearson BTEC Level 3 90-credit Diploma in Music (QCF)	540	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/7871/9	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Music (QCF)	720	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/7717/X	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Music (QCF)	1080	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
Interactive Media						
500/8123/8	NCFE Level 3 Certificate in Interactive Media (QCF)	250			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>

Applied General Business, Administration and Law

QAN	Qualification Title	Size (GLH) 1 A Level = 360(GLH)	Recognised by an industry or professional body?	Recognised by at least five employers?	Recognised by higher education institutions?	Qualification purpose statement
Legal Services						
500/7713/2	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Certificate in Applied Law (QCF)	180			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
Business						
500/6748/5	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Certificate in Business (QCF)	180			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/4226/6	OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Certificate in Business (QCF)	180		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/4608/9	OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Introductory Diploma in Business (QCF)	360		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/6750/3	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma in Business (QCF)	360	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/4235/7	OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Subsidiary Diploma in Business (QCF)	540		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/3889/5	Pearson BTEC Level 3 90-credit Diploma in Business (QCF)	540	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>

600/4229/1	OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Diploma in Business (QCF)	720		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/6747/3	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Business (QCF)	720	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/4232/1	OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Extended Diploma in Business (QCF)	1080		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/6746/1	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Business (QCF)	1080	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>

Enterprise and Entrepreneurship						
500/6245/1	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma in Understanding Enterprise and Entrepreneurship (QCF)	360		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
601/0501/X	Pearson BTEC Level 3 90-credit Diploma in Enterprise and Entrepreneurship (QCF)	540		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/6246/3	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Enterprise and Entrepreneurship (QCF)	720		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
601/0502/1	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Enterprise and Entrepreneurship (QCF)	1080		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
Finance						
600/8537/X	IFS Level 3 Certificate in Financial Studies (QCF)	180			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/7714/4	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Certificate in Personal and Business Finance (QCF)	180			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/7833/9	CISI Level 3 Diploma In Finance, Risk & Investment (QCF)	340			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/8551/4	IFS Level 3 Diploma in Financial Studies (QCF)	360			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/7712/0	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma in Personal and Business Finance (QCF)	360	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>

Applied General Construction, Planning and the Built Environment

QAN	Qualification Title	Size (GLH) 1 A Level = 360(GLH)	Recognised by an industry or professional body?	Recognised by at least five employers?	Recognised by higher education institutions?	Qualification purpose statement
Construction and the Built Environment						
500/7138/5	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Certificate in Construction and the Built Environment (QCF)	180			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>

Applied General Engineering and Manufacturing Technologies

QAN	Qualification Title	Size (GLH) 1 A Level = 360(GLH)	Recognised by an industry or professional body?	Recognised by at least five employers?	Recognised by higher education institutions?	Qualification purpose statement
Engineering						
500/8156/1	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Certificate in Engineering (QCF)	180	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>

Applied General Health, Public Services and Care

QAN	Qualification Title	Size (GLH) 1 A Level = 360(GLH)	Recognised by an industry or professional body?	Recognised by at least five employers?	Recognised by higher education institutions?	Qualification purpose statement
Health and Social Care						
600/4612/0	OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Introductory Diploma in Health and Social Care (QCF)	360			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/9317/4	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma in Health and Social Care (QCF)	360	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/4236/9	OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Subsidiary Diploma in Health and Social Care (QCF)	540			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/6178/9	Pearson BTEC Level 3 90-credit Diploma in Health and Social Care (QCF)	540	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/4230/8	OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Diploma in Health and Social Care (QCF)	720			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/9465/8	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Health and Social Care (QCF)	720	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/4233/3	OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care (QCF)	1080			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>

500/9501/8	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care (QCF)	1080	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
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Applied General Information and Communication Technology

QAN	Qualification Title	Size (GLH) 1 A Level = 360(GLH)	Recognised by an industry or professional body?	Recognised by at least five employers?	Recognised by higher education institutions?	Qualification purpose statement
IT						
600/4228/X	OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Certificate in IT (QCF)	180			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/9148/7	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Certificate in IT (QCF)	180	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/4623/5	OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Introductory Diploma in IT (QCF)	360			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/9147/5	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma in IT (QCF)	360	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/3887/1	Pearson BTEC Level 3 90-credit Diploma in IT (QCF)	540	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>

Applied General Leisure, Travel and Tourism

QAN	Qualification Title	Size (GLH) 1 A Level = 360(GLH)	Recognised by an industry or professional body?	Recognised by at least five employers?	Recognised by higher education institutions?	Qualification purpose statement
Sport and Exercise						
500/6679/1	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Certificate in Sport and Exercise Sciences (QCF)	180	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/6753/9	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Certificate in Sport (QCF)	180	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/6140/6	OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Certificate in Sport (QCF)	180			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/6143/1	OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Introductory Diploma in Sport (QCF)	360			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/6751/5	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma in Sport (QCF)	360	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/6765/5	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma in Sport and Exercise Sciences (QCF)	360	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/6142/X	OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Subsidiary Diploma in Sport (QCF)	540			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/3930/9	Pearson BTEC Level 3 90-credit Diploma in	540	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared</u>

	Sport and Exercise Sciences (QCF)					Purpose
600/3931/0	Pearson BTEC Level 3 90-credit Diploma in Sport (QCF)	540	Yes	Yes	Yes	Declared Purpose
600/6141/8	OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Diploma in Sport (QCF)	720			Yes	Declared Purpose
500/6755/2	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Sport (QCF)	720	Yes	Yes	Yes	Declared Purpose
500/6766/7	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Sport and Exercise Sciences (QCF)	720	Yes		Yes	Declared Purpose
600/6144/3	OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Extended Diploma in Sport (QCF)	1080			Yes	Declared Purpose
500/6764/3	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sport (QCF)	1080	Yes	Yes	Yes	Declared Purpose
500/6801/5	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sport and Exercise Sciences (QCF)	1080	Yes		Yes	Declared Purpose

Travel and Tourism						
500/9787/8	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Certificate in Travel and Tourism (QCF)	180			Yes	Declared Purpose

Applied General Preparation for Life and Work

QAN	Qualification Title	Size (GLH) 1 A Level = 360(GLH)	Recognised by an industry or professional body?	Recognised by at least five employers?	Recognised by higher education institutions?	Qualification purpose statement
Personal Effectiveness						
100/3560/6	ASDAN Level 3 Certificate in Personal Effectiveness	150			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
Enterprise, Employability and Personal Finance						
600/7269/6	AQA Level 3 Certificate in Enterprise, Employability and Personal Finance	180			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>

Applied General Retail and Commercial Enterprise

QAN	Qualification Title	Size (GLH) 1 A Level = 360(GLH)	Recognised by an industry or professional body?	Recognised by at least five employers?	Recognised by higher education institutions?	Qualification purpose statement
Retail Knowledge						
500/7313/8	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Retail Knowledge (QCF)	249			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>

Applied General Science

QAN	Qualification Title	Size (GLH) 1 A Level = 360(GLH)	Recognised by an industry or professional body?	Recognised by at least five employers?	Recognised by higher education institutions?	Qualification purpose statement
Applied Science						
500/6726/6	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Certificate in Applied Science (QCF)	180			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/6725/4	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma in Applied Science (QCF)	360	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/5849/3	Pearson BTEC Level 3 90-credit Diploma in Applied Science (QCF)	540	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/6673/0	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Applied Science (QCF)	720	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/6720/5	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Applied Science (QCF)	1080	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>

Applied General Social Sciences

QAN	Qualification Title	Size (GLH) 1 A Level = 360(GLH)	Recognised by an industry or professional body?	Recognised by at least five employers?	Recognised by higher education institutions?	Qualification purpose statement
Criminology						
600/3083/5	WJEC Level 3 Diploma In Criminology (QCF)	360			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>

Pending qualifications

The qualifications listed below will also be approved as Applied General qualifications subject to awarding organisations securing and demonstrating support from higher education institutions by 31st January 2014. A final list of approved Applied General qualifications for teaching from September 2014 will be published in Spring 2014.

Applied General Health, Public Services and Care – Pending

QAN	Qualification Title	Size (GLH) 1 A Level = 360(GLH)
Social Care		
600/0108/2	City & Guilds Level 3 Certificate In Preparing to work in adult social care (QCF)	190

Applied General Leisure, Travel and Tourism – Pending

QAN	Qualification Title	Size (GLH) 1 A Level = 360(GLH)
Sports Development		
600/4083/X	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Sports Development (QCF)	300

Applied General Retail and Commercial Enterprise – Pending

QAN	Qualification Title	Size (GLH) 1 A Level = 360(GLH)
Food Science and Nutrition		
600/4386/6	WJEC Level 3 Diploma in Food Science and Nutrition (QCF)	360

Applied General Social Sciences – Pending

QAN	Qualification Title	Size (GLH) 1 A Level = 360(GLH)
Criminology		
600/3082/3	WJEC Level 3 Certificate In Criminology (QCF)	180



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