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2016 16 to 19 performance tables: inclusion of applied general qualifications

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Applied General qualifications counting in the 2016 performance tables

This list provides an update to the list of Applied General qualifications that was published in December 2013. It confirms final decisions for qualifications previously listed as ‘pending qualifications’ and applies to courses taught from September 2014. Four qualifications have been added to the list since December 2013 and these are indicated in **bold**.

All qualifications listed below have been approved for inclusion in the 2016 school and college performance tables (to be published in early 2017). Qualifications that previously had ‘pending’ status, but are not included on this list will not count in the 2016 performance tables.

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 31st March 2014 but is held on external websites for which the Department for Education is not responsible. Please report any omissions to: vq.reform@education.gsi.gov.uk

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

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

QN	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

QN	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>
500/7333/3	Pearson BTEC Level 3 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>

QN	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
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>

QN	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
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

QN	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>

QN	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
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 Child Development and Well-Being

QN	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
Children's Play and Learning						
601/2460/X	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Subsidiary Award in Children's Play, Learning and Development (VRQ)	180	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>

Applied General Construction, Planning and the Built Environment

QN	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

QN	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

QN	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>

Applied General Information and Communication Technology

QN	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

QN	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>
600/4083/X	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Sports Development (QCF)	300	<u>Yes</u>		<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 Sport and Exercise Sciences (QCF)	540	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/3931/0	Pearson BTEC Level 3 90-credit Diploma in Sport (QCF)	540	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/6141/8	OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Diploma in Sport (QCF)	720			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>

QN	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
500/6755/2	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Sport (QCF)	720	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/6766/7	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Sport and Exercise Sciences (QCF)	720	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
600/6144/3	OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Extended Diploma in Sport (QCF)	1080			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/6764/3	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sport (QCF)	1080	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
500/6801/5	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sport and Exercise Sciences (QCF)	1080	<u>Yes</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
Travel and Tourism						
500/9787/8	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Certificate in Travel and Tourism (QCF)	180			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>

Applied General Preparation for Life and Work

QN	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

QN	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
Food Science and Nutrition						
600/4386/6	WJEC Level 3 Diploma in Food Science and Nutrition (QCF)	360			<u>Yes</u>	<u>Declared Purpose</u>
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

QN	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

QN	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>



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