

## Entry Guidance 2027

**Academic criteria for Pathways 1 and 2:** Five GCSEs Grade 5 or above (or equivalent) and Grade 4 GCSE in English and Maths.



**Academic criteria for Pathway 3:** Five GCSEs Grade 4 or above (or equivalent). Students will study GCSE English or Maths as appropriate where a Grade 4 has not been achieved. Two subjects chosen from identified range\*

*The entry guidance below states the grades we would typically expect to have been achieved in order to demonstrate suitability for the course. Where a candidate very narrowly misses the guidance grades we will consider additional evidence for suitability on a case-by-case basis.*

| Subject                       | Entry Guidance                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
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| Art and Design*               | Grade 6 in GCSE level Art and Design or related subject                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Biology                       | Grade 7 in GCSE Science (additional or separates) and Grade 6 in GCSE Mathematics. <i>This is to ensure that they are able to access the increased mathematical content (10% of the marks)</i>                                                                                             |
| Business Studies*             | Grade 5 in GCSE Business Studies and Grade 5 at GCSE Mathematics. If Business Studies has not been studied then a Grade 5 in GCSE English and a Grade 5 in GCSE Mathematics.                                                                                                               |
| Chemistry                     | Grade 7 in GCSE Science (additional or separates) and Grade 6 in GCSE Mathematics. <i>This is to ensure that they are able to access the increased mathematical content (10% of the marks)</i>                                                                                             |
| Computer Science              | Grade 6 in Computer Science if studied and a Grade 6 in Mathematics                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Drama and Theatre Studies*    | There are no prior learning or other requirements for this qualification. Students who would benefit most from studying this qualification are likely to have a Level 2 qualification such as a GCSE in Drama.                                                                             |
| English Language & Literature | Grade 6 in GCSE English Language or Grade 6 in GCSE Literature                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| English Literature            | Grade 6 in GCSE English Language or Grade 6 in GCSE Literature                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| EPQ*                          | Students must manage their own time and meet deadlines. Be an independent learner and work independently to complete the project.                                                                                                                                                          |
| French                        | Grade 6 in GCSE French                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Geography                     | Grade 6 in GCSE Geography, Grade 5 in maths, Grade 5 in English                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| History                       | Grade 6 in GCSE History. <i>If GCSE History has not been studied, Grade 6 in GCSE English will be considered on an individual basis</i>                                                                                                                                                    |
| Mathematics                   | Grade 7 in GCSE Mathematics. <i>Grade 6 in GCSE Mathematics will be considered on an individual basis</i>                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Media Studies*                | Grade 5 in GCSE Media Studies or Grade 5 in GCSE English                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Music                         | Grade 6 in GCSE Music equivalent. Practical Music / Trinity or ABRSM instrumental or vocal exam to Grade 5                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| PE                            | Grade 6 in GCSE PE and GCSE science, and are competing in their chosen sport at a good standard                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Photography*                  | Grade 6 in GCSE in a creative subject. <i>Other students will be considered on an individual basis.</i>                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Physics                       | Grade 7 in GCSE Science (additional or separates) and Grade 6 at GCSE Mathematics. <i>This is to ensure that they are able to access the increased mathematical content (40% of the marks). Consequently, it would be beneficial for prospective students to be studying A Level Maths</i> |
| Government and Politics       | Grade 6 in GCSE English                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Psychology                    | Grade 6 in GCSE science, English and Mathematics.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Religious Studies*            | Grade 5 in Religious Studies or Grade 5 in GCSE English                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Sociology*                    | Grade 5 in GCSE Sociology or Grade 5 in GCSE English.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Spanish                       | Grade 6 in GCSE Spanish                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Textiles*                     | Grade 6 in GCSE Textiles or related subject. <i>Other students will be considered on an individual basis.</i>                                                                                                                                                                              |