



**BTEC Level 3
Extended Certificate
Music Performance**

Awarding Body: Pearson

Who is the course for?

This course gives a broad overview of the music industry, with a focus on performance, including musical skills development and professional practice. It is suited to students who are interested in developing a deeper understanding of careers in the music industry, as well as further developing their understanding of music theory, solo performance skills, ensemble performance skills, and composition skills which includes the use of music software.

What can it lead to?

This course is delivered over a two-year period and is equivalent to one A level. It is designed to support progression to higher education when taken as part of a programme of study that includes other appropriate BTEC Nationals or A Levels. In addition, this course provides the necessary skills to pursue an internship or employment in a range of careers in the music sector.

What are the entry requirements?

At least 5 grade 4 GCSEs including Maths and/or English.
An audition on your chosen instrument.

What will I study?

There are four units of work, of which three are mandatory and one is optional. The optional unit will be determined based on the strengths of the cohort.

Course structure:

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| Unit number | Unit title | GLH | Type | How assessed |
| Mandatory units – learners complete and achieve all units | | | | |
| 1 | Practical Music Theory and Harmony | 90 | Mandatory | Internal |
| 2 | Professional Practice in the Music Industry | 90 | Mandatory | External |
| 3 | Ensemble Music Performance | 120 | Mandatory Synoptic | External |
| Optional units – learners complete at least one unit | | | | |
| 4 | Composing Music | 60 | Optional | Internal |
| 5 | Music Performance Session Styles | 60 | Optional | Internal |
| 6 | Solo Performance | 60 | Optional | Internal |
| 7 | Improvising Music | 60 | Optional | Internal |

How will I be assessed?

Two of the mandatory units are externally assessed.

One mandatory and one optional unit are internally assessed.

Mandatory content (83%)

External assessment (58%)

What equipment or materials will I need?

You will need to own your own instrument to enable practice at home.

Course Offer Conditions

Rooks Heath expects to run courses that are offered. However, courses that do not recruit to a satisfactory level may be offered at another centre or withdrawn.