

Purpose statement

**NCFE Level 3 Applied General Certificate in
Music Technology
QN: 601/6779/8**

Who is this qualification for?

The NCFE Level 3 Applied General Certificate in Music Technology enables learners to develop their skills, knowledge and understanding of working in the music technology sector. It is suitable for learners who are motivated by applied learning and learning through hands-on creative experiences related to the work of a performing musician and music technologist.

This Applied General qualification is equivalent in size to an A-level. It is aimed at post-16-year-olds studying a Key Stage 5 curriculum with an interest in creative music production and performance.

The qualification has been designed to sit within the Study Programme, alongside A levels and other qualifications.

This qualification is not part of a suite.

It is appropriate for learners wishing to continue their education through applied learning, equipping them with transferable knowledge and skills whilst giving them the opportunity to respond to contextualised industry briefs.

Learners would typically progress onto Higher Education courses following this qualification.

What will the learner study as part of this qualification?

This qualification shows learners how to:

- operate and effectively use a Digital Audio Workstation (DAW)
- understand and experiment with musical elements in different musical styles
- undertake recordings and successfully mix and master their audio
- create sound for a range of multi-media purposes
- manage sound for a live performance
- explore revenue and marketing within the digital music business □ reflect and build on their subject knowledge.

Which subjects will complement this course?

The following subject areas could complement this course:

- Film Studies
- Media Studies
- Music
- Computing
- Economics and Business
- Physics
- Maths

What could this qualification lead to?

This qualification fulfils entry requirements for a range of Higher Education courses, either by meeting entry requirements in their own right or by being accepted alongside and adding value to other qualifications at the same level. Degree courses could include:

Music Technology; Live Sound Production; Music Production; Creative Music Production; Creative Music Technology; Music Technology and Audio Systems; Music Technology and Popular Music.

Who supports this qualification?

- Middleborough College
- Huddersfield University
- Newcastle upon Tyne University
- Manchester Metropolitan University

Further information

For more information about the NCFE Level 3 Applied General Certificate in Music Technology, please see the Support Materials tab on the qualification page of our website.