## NCFE Level 1 Technical Award in Graphic Design (603/0844/8) NCFE Level 2 Technical Award in Graphic Design (603/0845/X) Grading Guide

Internal Assessments						
	Level 1			Level 2		
Unit Number	Pass UMS	Merit UMS	Distinction UMS	Pass UMS	Merit UMS	Distinction UMS
1	12.5	17.5	22.5	32.5	37.5	42.5
2	12.5	17.5	22.5	32.5	37.5	42.5
3	12.5	17.5	22.5	32.5	37.5	42.5
4	12.5	17.5	22.5	32.5	37.5	42.5

External Assessments						
	Level 1			Level 2		
Exam	Pass UMS	Merit UMS	Distinction UMS	Pass UMS	Merit UMS	Distinction UMS
Written	40	60	80	120	140	160

Grade boundaries, based on raw exam marks, for each external assessment will be determined by NCFE after all papers have been marked. Learners' exam marks will be converted to a unique UMS score based on the above boundaries. Raw marks and UMS scores will be provided on results slips.

This is a joint L1 and L2 external assessment and learners may access grades and UMS across the L1 to L2 range.

Overall								
	Level 1				Level 2			
P UMS	M UMS	D UMS	D* UMS	P UMS	M UMS	D UMS	D* UMS	
80	120	160	200	240	280	320	360	

Distinction\* awarded for overall qualification when:

- Distinction grade achieved in all 4 internal units **and** Distinction grade achieved in the external assessment **or**;
- the required overall UMS is achieved, as outlined above

To pass at Level 1	To pass at Level 2
All internal units must be passed at L1 as a minimum.	All internal units must be passed at L2 as a minimum
A minimum of 40 UMS must be achieved in the external assessment.	A minimum of 120 UMS must be achieved in the external assessment.

## Dropdown

If a learner is registered on the level 2 qualification and the level 2 pass criteria have not been achieved, the learner can be transferred to the level 1 qualification. If learners are transferred, all external assessment grades will be retained and any internal units banked at level 2 pass or above can be resubmitted for the equivalent units on the level 1 qualification without the need for further assessment or EQA.