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Dear Judith,

**NCFE Level 3 Applied General Certificate in Business and Enterprise (601/8908/3)**

This qualification will provide individuals who have an interest in **Business and Enterprise** with an opportunity to develop their skills, knowledge and understanding to an advanced level. This will prepare learners to progress onto a range of higher education courses within Southampton Solent University and other relevant sectors.

Southampton Solent University provides students from all backgrounds with a supportive, high quality learning environment and offers a variety of courses, many of which are professionally accredited and industry linked. We were voted one of the UK's most creative universities in the Which? University 2013 and 2014 student polls, and we have a strong focus on allowing our students to explore the boundaries of professional practice. The University offers a wealth of support for student entrepreneurs such as business start-up advice, funding, office space and the Solent Spark Society.

The **NCFE Level 3 Applied General Certificate in Business and Enterprise** can be considered alongside other qualifications as fit for purpose and therefore suitable for meeting entry requirements to a range of higher education courses, including: BA (Hons) Business Enterprise with Entrepreneurship and BA (Hons) Business Management.

We would support this qualification as it will enable learners to progress to higher education. We confirm that we are happy for this statement of support to be made public and available on the NCFE website alongside the qualification.

Yours sincerely,

A blue ink handwritten signature, appearing to read 'Tere Daly', with a large, stylized flourish.

Tere Daly  
Director of External Relations  
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