18 August 2022

Dear Student,

Awarding your BTEC Level 3 qualification(s) in 2022

On behalf of the Pearson BTEC team, I’d like to wish you congratulations on completing your BTEC qualification this year. I recognise how unsettling the past couple of years may have been for many of you and as we approach results day, I’d like to outline the arrangements for results this year and the support that we have made available.

Overview of how BTEC results were awarded

You will be aware that this academic year saw the return of exams and non-exam assessments and your overall qualification grade is based on a combination of all the unit grades you have achieved. In recognition of the continued disruption to teaching and learning during the pandemic, as with students receiving their A Level and GCSE results, several steps were put in place to support BTEC students receiving their results this year, including:

- Unit Teacher Assessed Grades for assessments due to have taken place in 2020/2021 but cancelled due to the pandemic.
- Streamlined assessment for up to two internal units, for relevant BTEC qualifications.
- An exceptional Special Consideration process for those who unavoidably missed their external assessment(s) this academic year and are unable to resit.
- Adoption of a generous approach to grading external assessments this summer under guidance from Ofqual.

This student guide gives you further details about the assessment arrangements for this year.

UCAS applicants

For those of you that have applied to Higher Education via UCAS, it will be possible to see whether you have met your offer(s) on UCAS Track from 8.15am on 18 August 2022.

If you have not met your preferred offer, we advise you to contact your Higher Education Institute (HEI) directly to see if they will still be able to accept you. Depending on their capacity and course requirements, they might be able to be flexible, especially if you have only narrowly missed your offer.

It is also possible to apply to HE via Clearing, where thousands of places are still available.

Ofqual and UCAS have also written this letter to students, with advice and guidance that you may find useful.
Post results services

Hopefully you will have achieved the grades needed to progress in your next steps. If you have not achieved the grade(s) you needed in your external assessment(s) this summer, there are various options available to you, which we would advise you to discuss with your school or college who will be able to contact us on your behalf.

- **Free Access to Scripts** – which lets schools or colleges access your exam scripts and can help inform a decision as to whether further steps need to be taken.
- **Review of Marking and Moderation (RoMM)** – involving either a clerical check or a check by a senior examiner to ensure that marking of an external component has been applied correctly. It is important to know that results can go up, down, or remain the same under this process.
- **Appeals** – if you are still dissatisfied the Head of your School or College can make an appeal with us directly.
- **Resit(s)** - it may also be possible to resit your external assessment(s) in the next available window (either January 2023 or Summer 2023) if you have not already taken your assessment the maximum number of times.

We have created this guide that explains the services available to you in more detail.

If you are concerned about your results, please do discuss this with your school or college, who are best placed to advise you. If you do decide to request a Review of Marking and Moderation or an Appeal, and you are a UCAS applicant, please ensure you notify your preferred HEI to check if they can hold your place until the outcome of your appeal is known.

**Support from Pearson and keeping in touch**

Our team is here to help any of you with questions about your results. Please visit our student FAQ page or bookmark our BTEC student web page, all of which are updated regularly. If you do have a specific question for us, you can contact us through our online portal where live chat is available, or phone us on 0345 618 0440. Phone lines will be open from 8.30am daily during the results period.

In the meantime, I wish you all the very best with your results and every success with your next steps after you complete your BTEC Level 3 National qualification(s), whether that is employment, an apprenticeship or Higher Education.

Best wishes,

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