

Edexcel Level 3 BTEC Diploma in Foundation Studies (Art and Design)

2006 - 2007 BENCHMARKING DATA

Important: please ensure that you read the notes prior to viewing the data.

This document contains the aggregated benchmarking grade boundary statistics for the Edexcel Level 3 BTEC Diploma in Foundation Studies (Art and Design) qualification for which there is an overall grade. This data relates to the completions and achievements leading to certification which took place in the academic year from September 2006 to August 2007.

The data has been produced to assist centres seeking to benchmark their learner achievements against national rates.

The BTEC Diploma in Foundation Studies (Art and Design) was updated in 2007, and has now been accredited as Edexcel Level 3 BTEC Foundation Diploma in Art and Design, for implementation after September 2007. The new specification applicable from September 2007, for those registered after that date, has been published and is available on our website and from Edexcel Publications.

The results shown here are on the pre-2007 specification. Details of the specifications for this qualification can be found here:

http://www.edexcel.org.uk/VirtualContent/59089/Foundation_AD_guidance.pdf.

This qualification is also used to gain entry to university courses through the UCAS Tariff; for more details see here:

http://www.edexcel.org.uk/VirtualContent/103662/Edxl_UCAS_Points_A5_A_D_.pdf.

The data is presented in two formats, namely, in a table by percentage achievement and in a bar chart format. The BTEC Diploma in Foundation Studies (Art and Design) has the following overall qualification grades:

- Distinction (D)
- Merit (M)
- Pass (P)

Notes

It should be noted that there are many factors that impact on the validity and reliability of these statistics, including:

- This is raw achievement data only and has not been moderated.
- Given the specialist nature of many BTEC qualifications, the data generated at qualification level is particularly vulnerable to misinterpretation. We draw attention of centres and other users of this data to the distinctive nature of each of the qualifications covered in this data

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and emphasise that the data should not be used to compare achievements across the qualification types.

- There is wide variance in the modes of study (full-time, evening class, day release, distance learning, block release).
- There is no standard length for the programme of study associated with BTEC qualifications and wide variations in custom and practice.
- Learners are registered with Edexcel for a period of up to five years and can complete at any time within this period. The achievements, therefore, may not directly relate to 2007, as learners may have studied over an elongated period in certain cases. The results were, however, reported in 2007.

2006 - 2007 RESULTS FOR THE EDEXCEL LEVEL 3 BTEC DIPLOMA IN FOUNDATION STUDIES (ART AND DESIGN)

BTEC Diploma in Foundation Studies (Art and Design)	Percentages by Grade %		
	D	M	P
	20.6	34.2	45.1

**BTEC Diploma in Foundation Studies (Art and Design)
Grades awarded Sept 2006 - Aug 2007**

