

# BTEC Law



CANNOCK CHASE HIGH SCHOOL  
A C H I E V E M E N T F O R A L L

Course: Level 3 Extended Certificate Law

1<sup>st</sup> year - obtain the BTEC Certificate (equivalent to 1 AS Level).

2<sup>nd</sup> year - obtain the BTEC Extended Certificate (equivalent to 1 A Level).

Entry Requirements - 5 GCSEs at Grade 9-4 Inc. English and Maths required.

Assessment of Certificate - Three mandatory units looking at the role of the courts and people who work within the legal system, how laws are made and by who. There is also an introduction into criminal law.

Assessment is coursework based, with an externally assessed piece of coursework in Unit 1.

Unit 1 – Dispute Solving in Civil Law (Mandatory and Externally Assessed)

Unit 2 – Investigating Aspects of Criminal Law and the Legal System (Mandatory and Internally Assessed)

Assessment of Extended Certificate in Applied Law – This is equivalent in size to one A Level. There are four units of which three are mandatory and two are externally assessed. Mandatory content (83%). External assessment (58%). Two of these mandatory units will have been completed in Year 12. The mandatory unit, looks at the more serious offences of Murder, Manslaughter and property offences including Robbery and Burglary.

Unit 3 – Applying the Law (Mandatory)

Unit 7 – Aspects of the Law of Tort

Course Content - This qualification is suitable for learners who prefer written rather than exam-based assessment. The course focuses on aspects of the English Legal System including; the creation of laws, Legal Personnel, European Union, Criminal and Tort Law, Murder and Manslaughter.

There will be a range of teaching methods used plus guest speakers, class debates and visits to the local courts. You will keep up to date with any changes in the Law, take an active part in class debates, independently research elements linked to your coursework, produce typed up criteria and present information to the class.

Students will be assessed by a portfolio assignment for each unit in addition to classwork. Students can opt to cash in their Level 3 BTEC Certificate at the end of year 1 studies (equivalent to one AS Level) or progress to year 2 of the programme and work towards obtaining the full BTEC Extended Certificate in Law (equivalent to one A Level).

Career Progression: The course is acceptable to both Universities and UCAS. The course offers a good basis for a varied range of courses and careers. The course will enable you to study Law at a higher level (HND or Degree) and an excellent opportunity to progress into careers such as the Police, Probation Service and the Court System.

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