

## BTEC Level 1 Certificate in Land Based Studies

Opportunities exist in a range of areas within agriculture and the environment, including landscaping, animal care, floristry and horticulture.

Edexcel's BTEC Level 1 Introductory Certificate and Diploma in Land and Environment provide a basic introduction to working in the sector and offer opportunities for accessing further study, such as a BTEC First qualification.

BTEC Entry 3 and Level 1 qualifications are designed to enhance learners' work and life skills in a range of vocational contexts. They are appropriate for a diverse range of learners including:

- 14-19 year-old learners
- adults returning to study
- those seeking to develop greater independence
- those who have not yet achieved accredited qualifications
- those with specific learning needs.

### Land Based Studies

The course aims to introduce students to the Land based industries, giving the opportunity to develop skills within Horticulture, Estate Management, Small Animal Care and Countryside Management.

Units studied will include:

- Assist with the Care of Animals
- Assist with the Movement of Animals
- Assist with Preparing and Maintaining Livestock Accommodation
- Assist with the Preparation and the Monitoring of Livestock Outside
- Planting and Staking a Tree
- Assist with Maintaining Plants
- Groom a Small Animal
- Assist with the Propagation of Plants from Seed

The above list is by no means exhaustive but aims to highlight that there is a balance on the course between horticultural operations and the care of animals.

### Additional Qualifications

It must be emphasised that although we endeavour to provide opportunities for students to complete additional industry recognised qualifications within the course, we cannot guarantee all students will meet the prerequisites nor can we guarantee they will achieve the assessment criteria as a high level of skills and knowledge are required to achieve the qualifications successfully.

- First Aid

### Assessment

Assessment is continuous through assignments. A range of assessment methods are used including written tasks, group and individual presentations, reports, video analysis and practical skill observations. All units are assessed, graded and internally verified. A sample of units may then be externally verified. An overall grade for the qualification is then awarded according to the accumulative score of all units achieved.

### Where Next?

The intended destinations for learners successfully achieving these qualifications include:

- GCSEs, A Levels or further BTEC Programmes
- Apprenticeships
- Supported Employment
- Independent Living.

