

## What is the course about?

This course is for students interested in developing their Performing Arts knowledge, skills and techniques. The OCR Cambridge Technical Extended Certificate in Performing Arts comprises of exciting and relevant content that is current, engaging, fit for purpose and suitable for the needs of all Performing Arts students. As it is a vocational course, the emphasis is on developing and using the skills practically in order to better understand the process of creating performance work and working with others.

### Course content

You must complete IVE units of work during the course. You choose which area(s) you wish to specialise in. This specialism might remain the same throughout the course (Music, for example) or could change for different units, so you could combine a range of skills and specialisms if you choose to.

- Prepare to work in the performing arts sector
- Proposal for commissioning a brief
- Influential performance practice
- Combined arts
- Improvisation

### Assessment

The course is assessed through a combination of assignments and projects. Each unit consists of practical work reinforced by a written portfolio. Three of the units are assessed by your teachers and two are externally assessed.

There is no written exam in this course.

## Career pathways

The performing arts course will develop your skills and knowledge in preparation for further study or the workplace. It is equivalent to one A level, with a Distinction \* grade worth 56 points, the same UCAS points as an A grade at A level. You will also gain a range of transferable skills that all employers value such as creativity, problem-solving and team work.

Employment opportunities: performer, teacher, designer, technician, studio engineer, choreographer, musician, film or TV work, director, entertainment manager.

## Entry criteria

Minimum of five 4 to 9 grades at GCSE and a grade 6 distinction in Music, Drama or similar.