



CHWECHED
— Powys —
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What is the Chweched Powys Sixth?

There are 11 sixth forms which make up the Chweched Powys Sixth.

North:

- Ysgol Llanfyllin
- Welshpool High School
- Ysgol Bro Caereinion
- Ysgol Bro Hyddgen
- Newtown High School
- Llanidloes High School

South:

- Brecon High School
- Crickhowell High School
- Gwernyfed High School
- Ysgol Maesydderwen
- Ysgol Calon Cymru



In previous years, learners would register with their nearest sixth form and apply for courses in any local settings and transport would be organised. However, this approach led to operational and financial challenges.

What's changing?

From September 2026, schools will be collaborating on a regional basis to help address these issues. Learners will fall into one of the following regions:

- Region 1
 - Ysgol Maesydderwen
 - NPTC – Neath
- Region 2
 - Brecon High School
 - Crickhowell High School
 - Gwernyfed High School
 - Ysgol Calon Cymru
 - NPTC – Brecon
- Region 3
 - Llanidloes High School
 - Newtown High School
 - Ysgol Bro Hyddgen
 - Ysgol Calon Cymru
 - NPTC – Newtown
- Region 4
 - Ysgol Bro Caereinion

- Welshpool High School
- Ysgol Llanfyllin
- NPTC - Newtown

Ysgol Calon Cymru appear in region 2 and 3 due to the location of the Builth and Llandrindod campuses. Additionally, all regions will work with NPTC to widen their curriculum offer.

Why has it changed?

The aim of this revised approach is to improve the breadth of courses available to learners within each region, whilst being deliverable from a financial and operational viewpoint. Each offer has been informed by learner surveys which were conducted during the autumn term and aims to better meet learner demand.

How do I apply?

The curriculum offer will vary depending on the home school, as each region has tailored their approach to best meet the needs of learners. Therefore, it is essential that applicants look closely at their school offer and work closely with school-based staff (head of year/progress leader/senior leaders) to understand what subjects are available before applying.

All courses are accurate at the time of upload. Please note that courses attracting small numbers of learners are not guaranteed to run.

Please use the Microsoft Form on the Powys website to submit applications. The deadline for applications is **Friday 27 March 2026**.

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AS/A Level Ancient History

Overview of the course

The AS Level in Ancient History encourages students to explore and appreciate the military, political, religious, social and cultural history and legacy of Greece and Rome. Through source-based study of two significant historical periods they develop an understanding of key historical concepts.

The A Level in Ancient History provides students with an opportunity to study four elements of ancient Greek and Roman history, and the interplay of military, political, religious, social and cultural factors within the time frames covered.

Specification: [AS and A Level - Ancient History - H007, H407](#)

Opportunities

History is a versatile subject that opens doors to a variety of careers and higher education courses including law and journalism. It also compliments a wide-range of A-level subjects such as English, Media etc.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/history>

Key info

- QiW Code: C00/1171/4
- Board: Cambridge OCR
- Qualification: A Level
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including B grade History or English

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	NPTC – Brecon (e- sgol)	
	NPTC – Newtown (e- sgol)	

AS/A Level Art and Design

Overview of the course

The WJEC AS and A level specification in Art and Design has been designed to provide engaging and innovative creative learning experiences, where art, craft and design practice is meaningfully integrated with theoretical knowledge and understanding.

This unitised specification provides learners with opportunities to develop a broad foundation of critical, practical and theoretical skills at AS, which offers learners a holistic understanding of a range of practices and contexts in the visual arts, crafts and design fields, culminating in greater specialism and achievement at A level.

This course gives learners the opportunity to follow a programme of study which extends experience and personal response as well as developing imagination and critical and reflective thinking. The ability to innovate, adapt and work independently, which underlies all aspects of the specification, is valued by higher education and employers alike. Whichever title or combination of endorsed titles is followed, the specification encourages creativity, sustained investigation and analysis, experimentation, and design and making as a means of developing technical and expressive skills.

This programme of study offers the choice of a broad-based general course, plus seven distinct title options:

- Art, Craft and Design
- Fine Art
- Graphic Communication
- Textile Design
- Three-Dimensional Design
- Photography
- Critical and Contextual Studies

Click on the specification link below to see more details of each pathway.

Specification: https://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/art-and-design-as-a-level/#tab_keydocuments

Opportunities

Being a successful Artist can mean many things. It might mean producing a beautiful painting or piece of sculpture. But it could just as easily mean designing the box of a new breakfast cereal or even taking a high-speed photo of a new piece of technological equipment in use.

Few people earn their living by producing 'works of art'. But many are able to use

their artistic talents in a wide range of 'creative' jobs.

Although Artists and Designers work in different ways, with different materials and for different purposes, they all use creative skills in their work. There is a wide range of possible careers available in art and design.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/art-and-design>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/0723/0](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including Art

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Pathway	Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
Art, Craft and Design		Ysgol Calon Cymru (Llandrindod) Ysgol Maesydderwen (joint Y12/13) Gwernyfed High School (joint Y12/13)	Ysgol Bro Hyddgen (joint Y12/13)
Fine Art	Ysgol Bro Caereinion (joint Y12/13)	Crickhowell High School Newtown High School Ysgol Llanfyllin (joint Y12/13)	
Graphic Communication		Gwernyfed High School (joint Y12/13) NPTC - Newtown	
Textile Design		Ysgol Llanfyllin (joint Y12/13)	
Photography	Ysgol Bro Caereinion (joint Y12/13)	Crickhowell High School Gwernyfed High School (joint Y12/13) Welshpool High School Ysgol Llanfyllin	

		NPTC - Newtown	
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AS/A Level Biology

Overview of the course

The AS/A level Biology specification provides learners with a wide breadth of knowledge which touches on many varied aspects of a range of topics.

These include the internal workings of organisms in physiology and the interdependence of living things in ecology, to social issues including human influence on the environment and the ethical considerations of genetics.

Specification: https://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/biology-as-a-level/#tab_keydocuments

Opportunities

Biology is the study of all living things, from plants and animals to micro-organisms. The subject also covers how we can protect living things, and how we can use them to solve problems.

There are lots of specialist areas within biology, including human biology, other animals (zoology), microbiology, biochemistry and biotechnology.

This article looks at some of the careers you can enter after studying biology: <https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/biology>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/0724/3](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including Double Award Science grade BB or Separate Science Biology grade B.

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
Ysgol Bro Caereinion	Brecon High School	Ysgol Bro Hyddgen
	Ysgol Calon Cymru (Builth & Llandrindod)	
	Crickhowell High School	
	Gwernyfed High School	
	Ysgol Maesydderwen	
	Ysgol Llanfyllin	

	Llanidloes High School	
	Newtown High School	
	Welshpool High School	

AS/A Level Business

Overview of the course

Learners will be introduced to the dynamic business environment and the importance of entrepreneurial activity in creating business opportunities and sustaining business growth. The focus of our AS/A level Business specification is to nurture an enthusiasm for studying business using contemporary contexts, allowing learners to develop an appreciation of the strategic, complex and inter-related nature of business issues from a local to global perspective.

Specification: https://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/business-as-a-level/#tab_keydocuments

Opportunities

Business studies has a part to play in most areas of work. Even in careers that are technical, practical or artistic, it is useful to have an understanding of how the organisation or business operates - especially if you want to enter management or work for yourself as a self-employed person or a freelancer.

You will also need to understand what your customers or clients want or need, and how to let them know about your products or services. You will also learn about the production, planning and people needed to make any organisation successful.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/business-studies>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/0722/2](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including English Language and B grade in Mathematics

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Crickhowell High School	
	Gwernyfed High School	
	Llanidloes High School (e-sgol)	

AS/A Level Chemistry

Overview of the course

The WJEC A level in Chemistry provides a broad, coherent, satisfying and worthwhile course of study. It encourages learners to develop confidence in, and a positive attitude towards, chemistry and to recognise its importance in their own lives and to society.

Practical work is an intrinsic part of chemistry and is greatly valued by higher education. It is imperative that practical skills are developed throughout the course and that an investigative approach is promoted wherever possible.

Specification: https://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/chemistry-as-a-level/#tab_keydocuments

Opportunities

Chemistry is the study of what things are made of and how they work, including how they change or react when they come into contact with other things.

It includes everything from elements, the basic building blocks of life, to the role chemicals play in the oceans and atmosphere.

People with knowledge of chemistry work in a very wide range of areas. They develop our knowledge of the world, solve problems, improve safety and create new products and processes.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/chemistry-careers>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/0724/4](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including Double Award Science grade BB or Separate Science Chemistry grade B, and Mathematics grade B.

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
Ysgol Bro Caereinion	Brecon High School	Ysgol Bro Hyddgen
	Ysgol Calon Cymru (Llandrindod)	
	Crickhowell High School	

	Gwernyfed High School	
	Ysgol Maesydderwen	
	Ysgol Llanfyllin	
	Llanidloes High School	
	Newtown High School	
	Welshpool High School	

AS/A Level Computer Science

Overview of the course

The WJEC AS and A Level in Computer Science has been designed to give an in depth understanding of the fundamental concepts of computer science and a broad scope of study opportunities.

In this increasingly technological age, a study of computer science, and particularly how computers are used in the solution of a variety of problems, is not only valuable to the learners but also essential to the future well-being of the country. Computer science integrates well with subjects across the curriculum. It demands both logical discipline and imaginative creativity in the selection and design of algorithms and the writing, testing and debugging of programs; it relies on an understanding of the rules of language at a fundamental level; it encourages an awareness of the management and organisation of computer systems; it extends the learners' horizons beyond the school or college environment in the appreciation of the effects of computer science on society and individuals. For these reasons, computer science is as relevant to a learner studying arts subjects as it is to one studying science subjects.

Specification: https://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/computer-science-as-a-level/#tab_keydocuments

Opportunities

After completing the programme, successful candidates may progress onto multiple courses at University, as well as various employment opportunities within the industry.

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Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/0722/5](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including B grade in Mathematics or Science/Tech related subject and C in English

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Crickhowell High School (e-sgol)	

AS/A Level Design and Technology

Overview of the course

Our AS/A level Design and Technology specification provides a unique opportunity in the curriculum for learners to identify and solve real problems by designing and making products or systems.

Design and Technology is an inspiring, rigorous and practical subject. This specification encourages learners to use creativity and imagination when applying iterative design processes to develop and modify designs, and to design and make prototypes that solve real world problems, considering their own and others' needs, wants, aspirations and values.

Learners should take every opportunity to integrate and apply their understanding and knowledge from other subject areas studied during key stage 4, with a particular focus on science and mathematics, and those subjects they are studying alongside GCE design and technology. As learners need to demonstrate expertise in specialist areas, three subject endorsements are available (engineering design, fashion and textiles, and product design), linked to design disciplines that reflect possible higher education routes and industry.

Specification: https://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/design-and-technology-as-a-level/#tab_keydocuments

Opportunities

The practical and problem-solving skills developed when studying design and technology are useful in a wide range of jobs, and at home.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/design-and-technology>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/1179/5](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- 5 A*-C grades at GCSE

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Brecon High School	Ysgol Bro Hyddgen (joint Y12/13)
	Welshpool High School	Ysgol Calon Cymru (Builth) (joint Y12/13)
	Ysgol Maesydderwen (joint Y12/13)	

AS/A Level Digital Technology

Overview of the course

The WJEC GCE AS and A level qualification in Digital Technology advances learners' understanding of the digital technologies that are used by individuals and organisations across the world, including how they have developed and how they continue to change.

The qualification enables learners to develop a deep understanding of how innovations in digital technology, and the increasing levels of connectivity between them, impact the lives of those who use them and the wider society.

Learners will also develop practical skills in developing both creative digital products and digital solutions to problems faced by organisations, supporting their progression into employment in a career that utilises digital technologies or onto a programme of higher education involving digital technologies.

Specification: [AS/A Level Digital Technology](#)

Opportunities

After completing the programme, successful candidates may progress onto multiple courses at University, as well as various employment opportunities within the industry.

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Key info

- QiW Code: C00/4451/6
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including B grade in Mathematics or Science/Tech/IT related subject and C in English

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Ysgol Maesydderwen	

AS/A Level Drama and Theatre

Overview of the course

Our AS/A level Drama and Theatre is an exciting and inspiring course which prepares learners for further study in Higher Education or any other pathway they might choose. This highly practical specification provides learners with a range of essential life skills which will help them succeed in any chosen career. They will have the opportunity to work as either performers and/or designers on three different performances.

Our specification provides a practical and challenging course of study which encourages learners to develop and apply an informed, analytical framework for making, performing, interpreting and understanding drama and theatre.

Specification: https://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/drama-and-theatre-as-a-level/#tab_keydocuments

Opportunities

After completing the programme, successful candidates may progress onto multiple courses at University, as well as various employment opportunities within the industry.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/drama-and-theatre-studies>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/0791/4](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including Drama and English Language or English Literature

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Brecon High School	
	Crickhowell High School	
	Llanidloes High School	
	Welshpool High School (joint Y12/13)	

AS/A Level English Language and Literature

Our AS/A level English Language and Literature specification promotes the integrated study of English language and English literature.

It enables learners to develop intellectual maturity through exploring a range of literary and non-literary texts, including our English Language and Literature Poetry Pre-1914 Anthology.

Through their reading, learners have the opportunity develop the skills required to interrogate texts, be critically reflective, consider other viewpoints, be independent, make connections across a range of texts and to understand and evaluate the effects of a variety of contexts.

Specification: https://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/english-language-and-literature-as-a-level/#tab_keydocuments

Opportunities

After completing the programme, successful candidates may progress onto multiple courses at University, as well as various employment opportunities within the industry.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/english>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/0723/4](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C at GCSE including English Language or English Literature grade B

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Crickhowell High School	
	Gwernyfed High School	
	Ysgol Calon Cymru (Llandrindod)	
	Llanidloes High School	

AS/A Level English Literature

Overview of the course

Our AS/A level English Literature specification is based on a conviction that the study of literature should encourage enjoyment of literary studies based on an informed personal response to a range of texts.

It provides learners with an introduction to the discipline of advanced literary studies and presents opportunities for reading widely and for making creative and informed responses to each of the major literary genres of poetry, prose and drama.

Specification: https://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/english-literature-as-a-level/#tab_keydocuments

Opportunities

After completing the programme, successful candidates may progress onto multiple courses at University, as well as various employment opportunities within the industry. <https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/english>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/0723/3](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C at GCSE including English Language or English Literature grade B

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Brecon High School	
	Crickhowell High School	
	Ysgol Maesydderwen	
	Ysgol Bro Hyddgen	
	Ysgol Llanfyllin	
	Welshpool High School	
	Newtown High School	

AS/A Level Film Studies

Overview of the course

Our AS/A level Film Studies specification is designed to introduce learners to a wide variety of films in order to broaden their knowledge and understanding of film and the range of responses films can generate.

This specification offers opportunities to study mainstream American films from the past and the present as well as a range of recent and contemporary British films, American independent films and global films, both non-English language and English language.

The historical range of film represented in those films is extended by the study of silent film and significant film movements so that learners can gain a sense of the development of film from its early years to its still emerging digital future. Studies in documentary, experimental and short films add to the breadth of the learning experience.

Production work is a crucial part of this specification and is integral to learners' study of film. Studying a diverse range of films from several different contexts is designed to give learners the opportunity to apply their knowledge and understanding of how films are constructed to their own film making and screenwriting.

This is intended to enable learners to create high quality film and screenplay work as well as provide an informed filmmaker's perspective on their own study of film.

Specification: [AS/A Level Film Studies](#)

Opportunities

The combination of film theory and the editing and production techniques covered on this course will prepare you for further studies in film, media, journalism, broadcasting and communication at higher education. Previous students have gone on to work for local media industries and even set up their own production companies. Studying Film enables you to see the world in a different light and develop a wide range of transferable skills for further education, work and life.

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/1174/7](#)
- Board: WJEC/Eduqas
- Qualification: A Level
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including a B grade in either English Language or English Literature.

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
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	Crickhowell High School	
	NPTC - Newtown	

AS/A Level French

Overview of the course

Our AS/A level French specification provides an engaging and exciting opportunity for learners to build on their previous study of French.

Through social, intellectual and cultural themes learners will be able to develop their linguistic knowledge and cultural understanding of the countries or communities where the language is spoken.

Specification: [AS/A Level French](#)

Opportunities

After completing the programme, successful candidates may progress onto multiple courses at University, as well as various employment opportunities within the industry.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/modern-foreign-languages>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/0792/3](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including B grade French

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Crickhowell High School (e-sgol)	
	Ysgol Bro Caereinion	

AS/A Level Further Mathematics

Overview of the course

The Further Mathematics course is a challenging qualification which both extends and deepens your knowledge and understanding beyond the standard A Level Mathematics. As well as learning new areas of pure mathematics you will study further applications of mathematics in mechanics and statistics.

Specification: [AS/A Level Further Mathematics](#)

Opportunities

After completing the programme, successful candidates may progress onto multiple courses at University, as well as various employment opportunities within the industry.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/maths>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/1173/8](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including Higher Tier Mathematics and Numeracy Grade A*-B. Candidates are also expected to have chosen A Level in Mathematics as one of their other options.

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Brecon High School	
	Crickhowell High School	
	Ysgol Llanfyllin (e-sgol)	

AS/A Level Geography

Overview of the course

Our AS/A level Geography specification encourages learners to apply geographical knowledge, theory and skills to the world around them.

In turn this will enable learners to develop a critical understanding of the world's people, places and environments in the 21st Century.

Specification: [AS/A Level Geography](#)

Opportunities

After completing the programme, successful candidates may progress onto multiple courses at University, as well as various employment opportunities within the industry.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/geography>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/0791/8](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including Geography.
Consideration will be given to students who have not studied the subject at GCSE level, provided they achieve English Language grade C

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
Ysgol Calon Cymru (Builth)	Crickhowell High School	Ysgol Bro Hyddgen
Ysgol Bro Caereinion	Gwernyfed High School (e-sgol)	
	Llanidloes High School	
	Welshpool High School	

AS/A Level Government and Politics

Overview of the course

The AS Level / A level Government and Politics enables students to develop their critical thinking skills and enhance their ability to interpret, evaluate and comment on the nature of politics. It encourages learners to develop confidence in, and a positive attitude towards, politics and to recognise its importance in their own lives and to society.

Specification: https://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/government-and-politics-as-a-level/#tab_keydocuments

Opportunities

After completing the programme, successful candidates may progress onto multiple courses at University, as well as various employment opportunities within the industry.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/government-and-politics>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/1157/8](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including B grade History or English

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Llanidloes High School (e-sgol)	
	Welshpool High School	
	NPTC – Brecon (e-sgol)	

AS/A Level Health and Social Care, and Childcare

Overview of the course

The City & Guilds/WJEC consortium GCE in Health and Social Care and Childcare will equip you with thorough and in-depth knowledge, understanding and skills related to the development and care of individuals throughout the life span from conception to later adulthood. You have the opportunity to develop your understanding of influences on human growth, development, behaviour and well-being. You will also gain a detailed understanding of the social, physical, emotional, and cultural needs of people who use care and support services and recognise that each individual has a unique blend of abilities and needs. You will gain a thorough understanding of how service provision in Wales supports the development and well-being of individuals, to be able to make informed decisions now and in later life.

Specification: [Health and Care Learning Wales](#)

Opportunities

Following a broad study of health and social care and childcare at AS and a choice of pathway at A2 provides you with an opportunity to develop depth of knowledge and understanding in either childcare or adult health and social care.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/health-and-social-care>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/3716/2](#)
- Board: City & Guilds/WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including Health and Social Care. Consideration will be given to students who have not studied the subject at GCSE level provided they achieve a C grade in English Language or Literature.

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
Ysgol Bro Caereinion	Crickhowell High School	
	Ysgol Calon Cymru (Llandrindod)	

AS/A Level History

Overview of the course

Our AS/A level History specification promotes the integrated study of history. It enables learners to study the history of more than one country or state including both British and at least one outside the British Isles, study specific aspects of the past in breadth and in depth, study change and/or development over a period of time both long term and short term and study the nature and purpose of history as a discipline and how historians work.

This approach encourages the acquisition of a wide range of historical knowledge and a full range of skills.

Specification: https://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/history-as-a-level/#tab_keydocuments

Opportunities

History is a versatile subject that opens doors to a variety of careers and higher education courses including law and journalism. It also compliments a wide-range of A-level subjects such as English, Media etc.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/history>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/0724/2](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including B grade History or English

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
Ysgol Bro Caereinion	Brecon High School (e- sgol)	Ysgol Bro Hyddgen
Ysgol Calon Cymru (Builth)	Ysgol Calon Cymru (Llandrindod)	
	Crickhowell High School	
	Ysgol Maesydderwen	
	Ysgol Llanfyllin	
	Llanidloes High School	
	Newtown High School (joint Y12/13)	

	Welshpool High School	
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AS/A Level Law

Overview of the course

Our AS/A level Law specification enable learners to develop an understanding of both public and private law within the law of Wales and England and develop skills which will prepare them for further undergraduate study and future careers.

The specification enables learners to develop their ability to analyse both legal rules and principles and factual issues.

Specification: https://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/law-as-a-level/#tab_keydocuments

Opportunities

After completing the programme, successful candidates may progress onto multiple courses at University, as well as various employment opportunities within the industry.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/law>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/1177/7](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including B grade English

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Crickhowell High School	
	Newtown High School (e-sgol)	
	NPTC – Brecon (e-sgol)	

AS/A Level Mathematics

Overview of the course

This WJEC GCE AS and A level in Mathematics provides a broad, coherent, satisfying and worthwhile course of study. It encourages learners to develop confidence in, and a positive attitude towards, mathematics and to recognise its importance in their own lives and to society.

Specification: https://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/mathematics-a-as-level/#tab_keydocuments

Opportunities

After completing the programme, successful candidates may progress onto multiple courses at University, as well as various employment opportunities within the industry.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/maths>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/1173/7](#)
- WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including Higher Tier Mathematics Grade A*-B

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Brecon High School	Ysgol Bro Hyddgen
	Ysgol Calon Cymru (Builth & Llandrindod)	
	Crickhowell High School	
	Ysgol Maesydderwen	
	Ysgol Llanfyllin	
	Llanidloes High School	
	Newtown High School	
	Welshpool High School	

AS/A Level Media Studies

Overview of the course

Our AS/A level Media Studies specification provides learners the opportunity to develop a thorough and in depth understanding of a range of key issues, using key concepts and a variety of critical perspectives to support critical exploration and reflection, analysis and debate.

The study of a wide range of rich and stimulating media products is central to the specification, offering opportunities for detailed analysis of how the media communicate meanings in a variety of forms.

Specification: [AS/A Level Media Studies](#)

Opportunities

After completing the programme, successful candidates may progress onto multiple courses at University, as well as various employment opportunities within the industry.

[Media/Communication Studies | Articles | Job Information](#)

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/1165/4](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including English Language and English Literature

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Gwernyfed High School (e-sgol)	

AS/A Level Music

Overview of the course

Our AS/A level Music specification offers a broad, flexible and coherent course of study which encourages learners to engage actively in the process of music study.

It provides learners with the opportunity to study music in an integrated way where the skills of performing, composing and appraising reinforce knowledge and understanding of musical elements, contexts and language.

The majority of pupils looking to take A Level Music will need to have taken GCSE Music, however, a musician who is able to perform to a minimum of Grade 5 standard and has passed at least Grade 3, A Level Music is a definite option for you!

Specification: https://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/music-as-a-level/#tab_keydocuments

Opportunities

After completing the programme, successful candidates may progress onto multiple courses at University, as well as various employment opportunities within the industry.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/music>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/0780/8](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including Music. Special consideration will be given to students who have not followed the subject at GCSE level, providing they have a good standard of instrumental or vocal performing ability (ABRSM Grade 5 practical and theory)

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Crickhowell High School	
	Ysgol Llanfyllin	
	Newtown High School	

AS/A Level Physical Education

Overview of the course

Our AS/A level Physical Education specification has been designed to allow learners to develop an appreciation of physical education in a wide range of contexts.

It is designed to integrate theory and practice with an emphasis on the application of theoretical knowledge.

Specification: https://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/physical-education-as-a-level/#tab_keydocuments

Opportunities

After completing the programme, successful candidates may progress onto multiple courses at University, as well as various employment opportunities within the industry.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/physical-education>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/0780/6](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including Physical Education. Consideration will be given to students who have not studied the subject at GCSE level provided they achieve English Language or Literature and Science grade C

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
Ysgol Bro Caereinion	Crickhowell High School	Ysgol Bro Hyddgen
	Ysgol Calon Cymru (Llandrindod)	
	Llanidloes High School	
	Ysgol Llanfyllin	
	Welshpool High School	

AS/A Level Physics

Overview of the course

The WJEC A level in Physics provides a broad, coherent, satisfying and worthwhile course of study. It encourages learners to develop confidence in, and a positive attitude towards, physics and to recognise its importance in their own lives and to society.

Specification: https://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/physics-as-a-level/#tab_keydocuments

Opportunities

Physicists study the workings of Earth and the universe. They help us to understand everything from the origins of the universe to the tiny particles we are made of.

Many physicists apply their knowledge to solve problems and create useful products in a very wide range of areas, including engineering, medical technology, aerospace, meteorology and the environment.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/physics-careers>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/0724/5](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- Entry requirements: Physics: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including Double Award Science grade BB or Separate Science Physics grade B, and Mathematics grade B.

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
Ysgol Bro Caereinion	Brecon High School	Ysgol Bro Hyddgen
	Crickhowell High School	
	Ysgol Maesydderwen	
	Ysgol Calon Cymru (Llandrindod)	
	Llanidloes High School (e-sgol)	
	Ysgol Llanfyllin	
	Newtown High School	
	Welshpool High School	

AS/A Level Psychology

Overview of the course

Our AS/A level specification is of the highest standard, is clear and accessible for teachers whilst engaging and rigorous for the students.

There are opportunities to study the classics of psychology whilst also introducing ongoing debates and topics which continue to fascinate learners.

Specification: https://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/psychology-as-a-level/#tab_keydocuments

Opportunities

Psychologists study the way people think and act. They look at all aspects of behaviour and the thoughts and feelings that make us the individuals we are.

Psychologists use their understanding to help people resolve problems, overcome difficulties and improve their lives. Many psychologists work in health and education services, but they can be found in a wide range of other areas.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/psychology-careers>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/0723/7](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including Science and English Language grade B and Maths grade C

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Crickhowell High School	
	Ysgol Maesydderwen	
	Llanidloes High School (e-sgol)	
	Ysgol Llanfyllin	
	Newtown High School (joint Y12/13)	
	Welshpool High School	
	NPTC – Brecon (e-sgol)	

AS/A Level Religious Studies

Overview of the course

Our AS/A level Religious Studies specification will enable learners to develop their interest in, and enthusiasm for, a study of religion and its place in the wider world.

The specification is presented in a clear and concise way to ensure that the content is accessible, relevant and engaging for both teachers and learners.

Specification: https://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/religious-studies-as-a-level/#tab_keydocuments

Opportunities

After completing the programme, successful candidates may progress onto multiple courses at University, as well as various employment opportunities within the industry.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/religious-studies>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/0792/2](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including Religious Studies.
Consideration will be given to students who have not studied the subject at GCSE level provided they achieve English Language or Literature grade C

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Crickhowell High School (e-sgol)	

AS/A Level Sociology

Overview of the course

Our As/A level Sociology specification provides learners with the opportunity to develop an understanding of our changing society as well as opportunities to learn about sociological methods and research.

The choice of topics can be used to support vocational studies such as health and social care, nursing, and social work.

Specification: https://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/sociology-as-a-level/#tab_keydocuments

Opportunities

After completing the programme, successful candidates may progress onto multiple courses at University, as well as various employment opportunities within the industry.

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/0722/1](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including English Language or English Literature grade C

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Crickhowell High School	
	Newtown High School (joint Y12/13) (e-sgol)	

AS/A Level Welsh Language

Overview of the course

Our AS/A level Welsh Language specification encourages learners to develop their interest and enthusiasm in Welsh and Welsh literature.

The aim is to develop learners' skills to express themselves confidently and imaginatively in both written and spoken Welsh. As well as to develop their ability to respond to literature and contemporary multimedia cultural materials in order to gain an appreciation of Wales's cultural heritage.

Specification: https://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/welsh-language-a-as-level/#tab_keydocuments

Opportunities

The skills you can develop while studying Welsh are useful in many careers. Even if you don't want to work in Wales in the future the skills you have from being bilingual will be seen as a positive to many employers. Welsh has an official status in Wales meaning it's recognised by law so it's important and can lead to many job openings. Some jobs in Wales either ask for Welsh as essential or desirable.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/welsh>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/0723/5](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including Welsh grade B and English Language or Literature

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
Ysgol Calon Cymru (Builth)		
Ysgol Bro Caereinion		
Ysgol Bro Hyddgen (e-sgol)		

AS/A Level Welsh Second Language

Overview of the course

The AS and A Level Welsh Second Language course encourages learners to study Welsh with interest, enjoyment and enthusiasm while allowing learners to play an appropriate role in a bilingual society at the beginning of the twenty-first century.

Specification: https://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/welsh-second-language-as-a-level/#tab_keydocuments

Opportunities

The skills you can develop while studying Welsh are useful in many careers. Even if you don't want to work in Wales in the future the skills you have from being bilingual will be seen as a positive to many employers. Welsh has an official status in Wales meaning it's recognised by law so it's important and can lead to many job openings. Some jobs in Wales either ask for Welsh as essential or desirable.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/welsh>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/0779/6](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: A Level
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including Welsh grade B and English Language or Literature

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
Ysgol Bro Caereinion		Ysgol Calon Cymru (Builth) (e-sgol)

Level 3 Agriculture

Overview of the course

This qualification is designed to be the substantive part of a study programme for learners aged 16–19 who want a strong core of sector study. It is intended as a Tech Level qualification and supports progression to careers in the agricultural management sector. The qualification is an introduction to the sector and is primarily for learners who are intending to gain employment directly in roles such as stockperson, herdsman, machinery operator or trials officer. When taken alongside further Level 3 qualifications, it supports progression to a range of higher education courses in agriculture or agricultural sciences.

Specification: [BTEC Nationals | Agriculture \(2019\) | Pearson qualifications](#)

Opportunities

Progression: employment or further study in the land sector.

[Land and Environment | Articles | Job Information](#)

Key info

- QiW Code: C00/1196/5
- Board: Pearson BTEC
- Qualification: Level 3 National Diploma
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
Ysgol Bro Caereinion	Gwernyfed High School	Ysgol Bro Hyddgen (joint Y12/13)

Level 3 Business

Overview of the course

An introduction to the business sector where an element of business would complement a learners programme of study. It supports progression to higher education when taken as part of a broad programme of study.

Specification: <http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/btec-nationals/business-2016.html#tab-1>

Opportunities

Business studies has a part to play in most areas of work. Even in careers that are technical, practical or artistic, it is useful to have an understanding of how the organisation or business operates - especially if you want to enter management or work for yourself as a self-employed person or a freelancer.

You will also need to understand what your customers or clients want or need, and how to let them know about your products or services. You will also learn about the production, planning and people needed to make any organisation successful.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/business-studies>

Key info

- QiW Code: C00/0773/4
- Board: Pearson BTEC
- Qualification: Level 3 National Extended Certificate
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Welshpool High School	

Level 3 Business

Overview of the course

An introduction to the business sector where an element of business would complement a learners programme of study. It supports progression to higher education when taken as part of a broad programme of study.

Specification: [Cambridge Technicals - Business \(2012\)](#)

Opportunities

Business studies has a part to play in most areas of work. Even in careers that are technical, practical or artistic, it is useful to have an understanding of how the organisation or business operates - especially if you want to enter management or work for yourself as a self-employed person or a freelancer.

You will also need to understand what your customers or clients want or need, and how to let them know about your products or services. You will also learn about the production, planning and people needed to make any organisation successful.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/business-studies>

Key info

- QiW Code: C00/0773/4
- Board: OCR
- Qualification: Level 3 Cambridge Technical Introductory Diploma
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Ysgol Llanfyllin	

Level 3 Creative Digital Media Production

Overview of the course

BTEC Level 3 Nationals Creative Digital Media Production courses offer a flexible range of qualifications that can be studied alongside other level 3 qualifications such as A levels or other BTEC Nationals as part of a larger programme of study, or as the main focus of study. They are designed for post-16 Level 3 learners wishing to go on to further or higher level study of the sector or directly to employment.

Specification: [BTEC Nationals | Creative Digital Media Production \(2016\) | Pearson qualifications](#)

Opportunities

After completing the programme, successful candidates may progress onto multiple courses at University, as well as various employment opportunities within the industry.

[Media/Communication Studies | Articles | Job Information](#)

Key info

- QiW Code: C00/0776/1
- Board: Pearson BTEC
- Qualification: Level 3 National Extended Certificate
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Welshpool High School (e-sgol)	

Level 3 Criminology

Overview of the course

WJEC Level 3 Applied Diploma in Criminology is a qualification with elements of psychology, law and sociology that complements studies in humanities. This is an Applied General qualification. This means it is designed primarily to support learners progressing to university. It has been designed to offer exciting and interesting experiences that focus learning for 16-19 year-old learners and adult learners through applied learning, i.e. through the acquisition of knowledge and understanding in purposeful contexts linked to the criminal justice system.

Specification: https://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/criminology-level-3/#tab_keydocuments

Opportunities

An understanding of criminology is relevant to many job roles within the criminal justice sector, social and probation work and sociology and psychology.

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/0720/2](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: Level 3 Applied Diploma
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE including English

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Crickhowell High School	
	Gwernyfed High School	
	Ysgol Maesydderwen	
	Llanidloes High School	
	Ysgol Llanfyllin	

Level 3 Engineering Technologies

Overview of the course

These qualifications have been developed to provide learners with an advanced knowledge and understanding of the practices and processes of engineering technologies. They cover knowledge, understanding and skills that have been identified in order to operate effectively in a job role within the Engineering Sector and are relevant to a wide variety of study routes.

These qualifications do not require evidence of occupational competence in the workplace and can be delivered in the classroom and workshop environment. They are based on National Occupational Standards (NOS) for engineering, which are statements of performance that describe what competent people in a particular occupation or task are expected to be able to do, and so contribute to developing the skills and knowledge that have been identified to operate effectively in job roles within the Engineering Sector.

These qualifications are graded; learners can achieve a Pass, Merit or Distinction. Please refer to Section 8: Grading for further details.

Specification: [Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma in Engineering Technologies | EAL](#)

Opportunities

[Engineering | Articles | Job Information](#)

Key info

- QiW Code: C00/0718/3
- Board: EAL
- Qualification: Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Ysgol Llanfyllin	

Level 3 Food Science and Nutrition

Overview of the course

Our Level 3 Food Science and Nutrition qualification has been designed primarily to support learners progressing to university.

It is mainly for those wanting to pursue careers or learning in related areas such as food industry production. The range of units available supports learners' progression from study at Level 2, and GCSEs in Food and Nutrition, Catering and Hospitality, Biology, Physical Education and Humanities.

Specification: [Level 3 Food Science and Nutrition](#)

Opportunities

[Hospitality and Catering | Articles | Job Information](#)

Key info

- QiW Code: C00/0726/2
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: Level 3 Diploma
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Crickhowell High School	
	Ysgol Maesydderwen	

Level 3 Health and Social Care: Principles and Contexts

Overview of the course

The Health and Social Care: Principles and Contexts qualifications are designed for post-16 learners who are interested in learning more about the health and social care sectors.

The qualifications provide a suitable progression route for learners who have studied Level 2 qualifications within the health and social care, and childcare suite including:

- Level 2 Health and Social Care: Principles and Contexts
- GCSE Health and Social Care, and Childcare
- Level 2 Health and Social Care: Core, or
- Level 2 Children's Care, Play Learning and Development: Core.

They are also suitable for learners who have not previously studied Health and Social Care but who are capable of Level 3 study.

Specification: [Level 3 Health and Social Care: Principles and Contexts \(First Assessment 2024\)](#)

Opportunities

Following a broad study of health and social care and childcare at L3 provides you with an opportunity to develop depth of knowledge and understanding in either childcare or adult health and social care.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/health-and-social-care>

Key info

- QiW Code: C00/3725/4
- Board: City & Guild/WJEC
- Qualification: Level 3 Certificate
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
Ysgol Bro Caereinion	Llanidloes High School (joint Y12/13)	
	Newtown High School (joint Y12/13)	
	Welshpool High School	
	Ysgol Llanfyllin	

Level 3 Hospitality

Overview of the course

BTEC Level 3 qualifications in hospitality give learners the opportunity to make progress in the sector, whether their chosen route is employment, an apprenticeship or university. All qualifications for this sector introduce learners to essential understanding in the following areas of the hospitality industry:

- scale and diversity
- classification systems
- organisation and structure of businesses operating in this industry
- purpose of support functions in hospitality such as finance and marketing

The specification has been structured to allow learners maximum flexibility in selecting optional units so that their particular interests and career aspirations in the hospitality sector can be reflected in their choice of unit combinations.

Specification: [BTEC Nationals | Hospitality \(2010\) | Pearson qualifications](#)

Opportunities

This qualification supports progression to job opportunities in the hospitality sector at a variety of levels. Jobs available in these areas include:

- Front Office Receptionist
- Chef de Partie
- Restaurant Supervisor
- Bar Supervisor
- Events Organiser

This qualification also supports learners who are following an Apprenticeship in hospitality and who are looking to progress and work in the sector.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/hospitality-and-catering>

Key info

- QiW Code: C00/0249/3
- Board: Pearson
- Qualification: BTEC National Level 3 Certificate
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Ysgol Calon Cymru (Builth) (joint Y12/13)	

Level 3 Information Technology

Overview of the course

Designed as a one-year full-time course or a full two-year programme when studied alongside further Level 3 qualifications. Supports further progression in creative media education, to an Apprenticeship or entry level employment.

Specification: [BTEC Nationals | Information Technology \(2016\) | Pearson qualifications](#)

Opportunities

After completing the programme, successful candidates may progress onto multiple courses at University, as well as various employment opportunities within the industry.

[Computing/Information and Communication Technology | Articles | Job Information](#)

Key info

- QiW Code: C00/0775/8
- Board: Pearson
- Qualification: BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Welshpool High School	Ysgol Bro Hyddgen (joint Y12/13)

Level 3 IT

Overview of the course

This qualification is designed for you if you're 16 years old or over and prefer to study IT in a context that allows you to learn and be assessed in ways that are practical and relevant to the IT sector. This qualification is not just about being able to use computers. Employers have told us that they need people who are able to help them develop their systems or the systems for their customers, use IT as a tool to analyse data and develop applications. Therefore, this qualification is designed to give you a range of specialist knowledge and transferable skills in the field context of applied IT, providing you with the opportunity to enter an apprenticeship, move directly into employment, or progress to a related Higher Education course.

Specification: [Cambridge Technicals - Information Technology](#)

Opportunities

You could progress onto a Level 4 apprenticeship such as Network Engineer or Software Developer or into employment in the IT sector in areas such as technical support, digital technologies, application development or data analysis.

[Computing/Information and Communication Technology | Articles | Job Information](#)

Key info

- QiW Code: C00/0787/2
- Board: Cambridge OCR
- Qualification: Level 3 Cambridge Technical Introductory Diploma
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Crickhowell High School (e-sgol)	
	Llanidloes High School	

Level 3 Medical Science

Overview of the course

Our Level 3 Medical Science specifications have been developed in conjunction with Universities and Clinical Pathology laboratories.

They provide an engaging and meaningful context led approach to the development of scientific knowledge and skills, and enable learners to develop the tools necessary to understand, assess and suggest solutions to real-world challenges.

Specification: https://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/medical-science-level-3/#tab_keydocuments

Opportunities

After completing the programme, successful candidates may progress onto multiple courses at University, as well as various employment opportunities within the industry.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/human-health-and-physiology>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/0779/1](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: WJEC Level 3 Diploma
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Crickhowell High School	Ysgol Bro Hyddgen (joint Y12/13)
	Newtown High School (joint Y12/13)	

Level 3 Music

Overview of the course

Designed to be studied as a one-year full-time course or a two-year programme when studied alongside other Level 3 qualifications. Learners will focus on developing their music skills and understanding the industry.

Specification: [BTEC Nationals | Music \(2018\) | Pearson qualifications](#)

Opportunities

After completing the programme, successful candidates may progress onto multiple courses at University, as well as various employment opportunities within the industry.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/music>

Key info

- QiW Code: C00/3201/2
- Board: BTEC
- Qualification: Level 3 National Foundation Diploma
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Ysgol Llanfyllin	

Level 3 Performing Arts

Overview of the course

The content of this qualification has been developed in consultation with academics to ensure that it supports progression to higher education. All the content of this qualification is mandatory, with two units which focus on: • practical skills and techniques in a range of performing arts disciplines • critical analysis skills and contextual understanding of practitioners work. Learners will gain a taste and an appreciation of performing arts, through knowledge and experience of the performance process. Learners will also have the opportunity to develop a range of skills, techniques and personal attributes which will be valuable across all areas of future study and work.

Specification: [BTEC Nationals | Performing Arts \(2016\) | Pearson qualifications](#)

Opportunities

In addition to the performing arts sector-specific content, this qualification provides learners with the opportunity to develop all-round performance skills and transferable skills such as self-confidence, self-presentation, personal discipline, time management and organisational skills which are highly regarded by higher education and employers. Other skills essential for further study include research, independent learning, extended writing, sourcing, evaluating information and drawing conclusions which are covered in the Investigating Practitioners' Work unit.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/drama-and-theatre-studies>

Key info

- QiW Code: C00/0773/9
- Board: Pearson
- Qualification: BTEC Level 3 National Certificate
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
		Ysgol Bro Hyddgen (joint Y12/13)

Level 3 Sport

Overview of the course

The National Extended Certificate in Sport is a vocational qualification that is designed as a broad basis of study for the sport sector and will support progression to higher education when taken as part of a programme of study that includes other appropriate BTEC Nationals or A levels including PE.

The content of this qualification has been developed in consultation with academics to ensure that it supports progression to higher education. Employers and professional bodies have also been involved and consulted to confirm that the content is appropriate and consistent with current practice for learners who may choose to enter employment directly in the sport sector.

Modules include: anatomy and physiology; fitness training and programming for health, sport and wellbeing; professional development in the sports industry; sport leadership.

Specification: [BTEC Nationals | Sport \(2016\) | Pearson qualifications](#)

Opportunities

Learners can progress to higher education at university or may choose to progress to a BTEC Higher National (HN) qualification. Areas of employment include roles in coaching, fitness instruction, working with elite sport performers, and other related areas in the sport sector.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/physical-education>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/0773/7](#)
- Board: Pearson
- Qualification: BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate/Diploma
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Crickhowell High School	
	Gwernyfed High School	
	Ysgol Maesydderwen	

Level 3 Sport

Overview of the course

The qualifications have been designed for learners who want to learn about the sector and the potential it can offer them for their careers or further study. They are most suitable as a foundation for further study or training. Further study would provide learners with the opportunity to develop a range of specialist and general skills that would support their progression to employment.

It is reasonable to assume that many learners will have achieved qualifications equivalent to level 2. Learners would find the following learning skills and aptitudes helpful: literacy, numeracy and digital literacy, an aptitude for working with computers and motivation to work independently.

To achieve the Extended Certificate in Sport, learners must complete two mandatory units (Unit 1 and Unit 2), and two optional units. To achieve the Diploma in Sport, learners must complete four mandatory units (Unit 1, Unit 2, Unit 10 and Unit 11), and four optional units.

Specification: [Level 3 Applied Qualifications in Sport – Teaching from 2023](#)

Opportunities

Learners can progress to higher education at university or may choose to progress to a BTEC Higher National (HN) qualification. Areas of employment include roles in coaching, fitness instruction, working with elite sport performers, and other related areas in the sport sector.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/physical-education>

Key info

- QiW Code: C00/4810/7 and C00/4975/0
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: Level 3 Applied Extended Certificate/Diploma
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Ysgol Calon Cymru	

Level 3 Sports Coaching and Development

Overview of the course

Welshpool High School have teamed up with LLS to provide a unique sports course. LLS are market experts in training sixth form students to becoming the next generation of sports industry leaders. LLS have centres in various locations across England, Wales, Northern Ireland, Tenerife and Qatar.

When you've decided to study sport and want to keep your future career options open, this could be the course for you. You'll learn everything from physiology and anatomy to nutrition and fitness testing. The only decision you'll be left to make is your next career move or whether you'll go to university.

If your aim is to work with children, coach in an elite setting or work at senior level, this course will give you everything you need to kick-start your journey. This practical based course provides you with a variety of weekly work experience and access to professional settings.

Fulltime: 3 Day on site delivery of theory and practical, 2 days work experience. (additional A-levels can be discussed on an individual basis)

Work Experience: Students will be supported to gain 1000 hours work experience over the duration of the course. The first placement will be generic in local primary schools, Welshpool PE department and Powys sport development. The second placement will be specific to the career path of the student, for example, if your career goal is to be physiotherapist then your placement will be with a physiotherapist. These 1000 hours are golden in developing employment ready skills and helping students' CVs jump to the top of the pile.

Specification: <https://qualifications.pearson.com/content/dam/pdf/BTEC-Nationals/sports-coaching-and-development/2019/specification-and-sample-assessments/btec-nats-non-measures-sports-coaching-and-development-spec.pdf>

Opportunities

University The vast majority of our students access University after the two year BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sport (Development, Coaching and Fitness). The highest grades on this course, D*D*D* calculates to 168 UCAS points and is the equivalent to A*A*A* at A level.

Career jobs: Many LLS students become PE teachers, physiotherapist, personal trainers, elite strength & conditioning coaches and global sports coaches.

Apprenticeships: University is not for everyone, LLS can help support course

graduates in gaining sports coaching apprenticeships.

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Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/3943/7](#)
- Board: Pearson
- Qualification: BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Welshpool High School (joint Y12/13)	

Level 3 Sports Coaching

Overview of the course

This qualification is intended for post-16 learners wanting to progress directly to employment in the coaching and development sector as an assistant coach. When studied alongside other Level 3 qualifications as part of the study programme, it also supports progression to a wide range of higher education courses.

Specification: <https://qualifications.pearson.com/content/dam/pdf/BTEC-Nationals/sports-coaching-and-development/2019/specification-and-sample-assessments/btec-nats-non-measures-sports-coaching-and-development-spec.pdf>

Opportunities

After completing the programme, successful candidates may progress onto multiple courses at University, as well as various employment opportunities within the industry.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/physical-education>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/3943/4](#)
- Board: Pearson
- Qualification: BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
		Ysgol Bro Hyddgen

Level 3 Tourism

Overview of the course

Our new Level 3 qualifications in Tourism support learners to understand the local, national and global tourism industry, and enables them to develop a broad range of skills and qualities required by the industry.

Specification: [Level 3 Tourism - Teaching from 2023](#)

Opportunities

Travel and tourism is one of the UK's biggest industries. It is also one of the fastest growing, offering a wide range of jobs. A qualification in travel and tourism will help you to develop the skills and knowledge you need to work in this area.

<https://careerswales.gov.wales/job-information/articles/travel-and-tourism>

Key info

- QiW Code: [C00/4818/1](#)
- Board: WJEC
- Qualification: BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate
- Entry requirements: 5 A*-C grades at GCSE

Where can I study this course in Powys?

Cymraeg	English	Bilingual
	Llanidloes High School (joint Y12/13)	

Sixth form	A (Mon AM / Wed PM)	B (Mon PM / Fri AM)	C (Wed AM / Fri PM)	D (Tue AM / Thu PM)	E (Thu AM / Tue PM)
Ysgol Maesydderwen	Biology Digital Technology English Literature	Art & Design: Art, Craft and Design Chemistry Psychology	Physics Criminology	Mathematics Food and Nutrition D&T: Product Design	BTEC Sport History
Brecon High School	English Literature Chemistry	History (e-sgol) Mathematics	Physics Biology	D&T: Product Design Further Mathematics	Drama and Theatre
Crickhowell High School	Biology Chemistry Drama Geography ICT (e-sgol) Religious Studies (e-sgol)	Business French (e-sgol) Mathematics Psychology H&SC	Biology Medical Science Law English Language and Literature Criminology Physical Education	Computer Science (e-sgol) Further Mathematics Mathematics Art & Design: Fine Art/Photography Music Sociology BTEC Sport	Food & Nutrition English Literature Physics Film Studies History BTEC Sport
Gwernyfed High School	English Language and Literature BTEC Sport (single award)	Biology BTEC Sport (double award)	Art & Design: Photography Business Chemistry	Agriculture (Level 3) Media (e-sgol) Geography (e-sgol)	Agriculture (Level 3) Criminology
Ysgol Calon Cymru <i>Bu = Builth campus</i> <i>LI = Llandrindod campus</i>	Art & Design: Art, Craft and Design (LI) Physical Education (LI) Physics (LI) Hospitality (Bu) Daearyddiaeth (Bu)	Hanes (Bu) History (LI) Welsh 2nd Language / Cymraeg Ail Iaith (e-sgol) (Bu)	H&SC (LI) Cymraeg Iaith (Bu)	Level 3 Applied Diploma Sport (LI) (double award) English Language and Literature (LI) Biology (Bu & LI)	Level 3 Applied Diploma Sport (LI) (single & double award) Mathematics (Bu & LI) Dylunio a Thechnoleg / D&T (Bu)
Llanidloes High School	History Mathematics Physical Education	Chemistry Drama IT	Biology Government & Politics (e-sgol) Tourism	Business (e-sgol) Criminology Physics (e-sgol)	English Language and Literature Geography H&SC Psychology (e-sgol)
Newtown High School		Sociology (e-sgol)	Mathematics History	Law (e-sgol) Biology	Physics English Literature

		Art & Design: Fine Art Chemistry Medical Science	Music	H&SC	Psychology
Ysgol Bro Hyddgen	Cymraeg Iaith (e-sgol) Celf a Dylunio / Art & Design: Art, Craft and Design TGCh / ICT Bioleg / Biology	English Literature Mathemateg / Mathematics BTEC Performing Arts	BTEC Sports Coaching Cemeg / Chemistry Daearyddiaeth / Geography	Gwyddor Feddygol / Medical Science Ffiseg / Physics Amaethyddiaeth / Agriculture (Level 3)	Addysg Gorfforol / Physical Education Hanes / History Dylunio a Thechnoleg / D&T: Product Design
Ysgol Bro Caereinion	Bioleg	Hanes (e-sgol) Addysg Gorfforol	Amaethyddiaeth (Level 3) Celf a Dylunio: Celfyddyd Gain / Ffotograffiaeth Cemeg Iechyd a Gofal Cymdeithasol, a Gofal Plant	Daearyddiaeth French	Ffiseg Cymraeg Iaith Cymraeg Ail Iaith
Welshpool High School	Drama English Literature Mathematics BTEC Sports Coaching	Biology Business Creative Digital Media Production (e-sgol) BTEC Sports Coaching	Geography Physical Education Psychology	Art & Design: Photography Government & Politics H&SC Physics BTEC Sports Coaching	Chemistry D&T: Product Design History ICT
Ysgol Llanfyllin	Art & Design: Fine Art Engineering History Physics Psychology	Chemistry Criminology	Art & Design: Photography Biology BTEC Music	Business English Literature Mathematics Art & Design: Textiles	Further Mathematics (e-sgol) H&SC Physical Education

e-sgol & NPTC Offer

	A (Mon AM / Wed PM)	B (Mon PM / Fri AM)	C (Wed AM / Fri PM)	D (Tue AM / Thu PM)	E (Thu AM / Tue PM)
Sixth forms	ICT (e-sgol) RS (e-sgol) Cymraeg Iaith (e-sgol)	Creative Digital Media Production (e-sgol) French (e-sgol) History (e-sgol) Hanes (e-sgol) Sociology (e-sgol) Cymraeg Ail Iaith / Welsh 2nd Language (e-sgol)	Government & Politics (e-sgol)	Business (e-sgol) Computer Science (e-sgol) Geography (e-sgol) Law (e-sgol) Media (e-sgol) Physics (e-sgol)	Further Mathematics (e-sgol) Psychology (e-sgol)
NPTC – Brecon	Law (e-sgol)	Ancient History (e-sgol)	Government & Politics (e-sgol)	Psychology (e-sgol)	
NPTC – Newtown	Art & Design: Graphic Communication and Photography	Ancient History (e-sgol)	Film Studies		

Key: Bold = Joint Y12/13

Cymraeg title = Welsh medium

Cymraeg/English title = Bilingual

(e-sgol) = Online delivery