

## **UAL Level 3 Diploma and Extended Diploma in Music Performance and Production (Music Studio Technology & Live Sound Production)**

Study Mode: Full Time

### **Is this course right for me?**

Want to learn cutting edge skills in music technology recording, sequencing and live sound?

The UAL Level 3 Diploma and Extended Diploma in Music Performance and Production is taught by highly experienced tutors, who will teach you in industry standard recording studios, Mac suites and at the superb Slade Rooms live venue in the city centre.

You will begin your first year of study on the UAL Level 3 Diploma and Extended Diploma in Music Performance and Production and then once successfully completed you will progress to your second year, which is equivalent to three A Levels.

You will develop skills in sequencing using software packages to compose, edit and mix music and soundtracks, learn about the music industry, research and explore areas of the industry such as record labels, recording studios and the jobs associated with these. You will learn how to set up and operate equipment in the colleges industry-standard recording studios for the capture and processing of sound and at the Slade Rooms live music venue.

Our creative arts courses have been named the best in the country and earned the college a prestigious national award. We have been named Training Provider of the Year at the Creative and Cultural Skills Awards 2019! Our creative arts department is forward thinking, innovative, committed and thats why we have been nationally recognised.

Awarded Arts Mark Gold status by Arts Council England for our excellent courses and links with employers we pride ourselves on producing work-ready students equipped with the skills and knowledge to be a success in the industry.

City of Wolverhampton College is an approved centre for UAL Awarding Body Level 3 Diploma and Extended Diploma in Music Performance and Production

## **Entry Requirements**

### **For external applicants:**

To access this course, you are required to:

- Have four or more GCSEs at Grade C / 4 or above (ideally including English and maths)\*
- Attend an interview with a member of the college's admissions team
- Provide a portfolio of evidence demonstrating your musical experience and ability
- Demonstrate how you have previously had good attendance and punctuality and a good attitude to learning

\*If you do not have a Grade C/4 in English and maths, you will attend lessons to achieve these qualifications alongside your Level 3 qualification

### **For internal progression learners (already studying with us):**

Learners must be able to demonstrate that they:

- Have successfully completed a relevant course that naturally progresses onto this programme, achieving a good standard
- Have improved their English and maths grades since enrolment
- Have maintained good attendance and punctuality
- Show a consistently positive attitude to learning

## **What will I learn?**

During this course you will study:

- Music production techniques
- Sequencing
- Critical music listening
- Sound recording techniques
- The sound and music industry
- 24-track analogue/digital mixing
- Sound design
- Live sound techniques
- Stage management / studio management
- Concert management and production
- Recording studio production
- Digital sound techniques/sound fx
- Analogue/digital recording and editing
- Microphone types and applications
- Recording bands/musicians
- Music and audio theory
- Production project
- Foil and soundtrack techniques

## **What skills will I gain?**

By studying this course you will:

- Learn live sound and concert management in an actual working music venue in the city centre using state of the art live sound equipment
- Work in a dedicated music computer suite running industry standard software packages
- Have the opportunity to use a wide range of microphones, instruments and studio equipment
- Be a part of booking, promoting, engineering and stage managing your own gigs at the Slade Rooms
- Improve your understanding of how all of the skills you are learning can be applied in the industry
- Improve your knowledge of what music industry opportunities are available
- Gain valuable team working and communication skills
- Improve your employability skills

## How will I be assessed?

The course is project/assignment based and assessment is continuous throughout the year both in lessons, set work and through observations. Each unit will be assessed and awarded with a final grade of pass, merit or distinction. Some units may be subject to external assessment.

## What can I do next?

The skills you will learn from this course will enable you to:

- Pursue a career in sound engineering, sound recording, events management, marketing and promotion, technician or as a freelancer in the industry
- Progress onto a HE course

## Delivery

**Location:** City Learning Quarter

**Start Date:** 07/09/2026

**Day:**

**Time:**

**Course Fee:**

**Course Code:** CP0014

**Study Mode:** Full Time

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