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Level 3 BTEC Extended Diploma in Travel and Tourism



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Coleraine

Duration 2 Years, Full-time

Interview Required Yes

Awarding Body Pearson

Entry Requirements

Applicants should have at least 4 GCSEs at Grade C, or above, or other relevant qualifications, or appropriate work experience. In circumstances where there are more applications for the course than there are places available, the College reserves the right to ask for higher grades.

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Course Content

Units include:

- Investigating the Travel and Tourism sector
- The Business of Travel and Tourism
- The UK as a Destination
- Customer Service in Travel and Tourism

If you are accepted onto this course without a Grade C or above in Maths and/or English you will be required to complete the relevant Essential Skills qualification. This will be a compulsory part of your timetable.

Course Aims

A Level 3 BTEC Extended Diploma is a practical, work-related course. You learn by completing projects and assignments that are based on realistic workplace situations, activities and demands. As well as learning about the employment area you have chosen, you develop the skills you need to start or progress a career.

It is equivalent to three A Levels which means when you have finished the course you can choose whether to get a job straight away or go into higher education first. A Level 3 BTEC Extended Diploma can be taken full-time or part-time and is equally suitable for school leavers and mature students.

Special Features

The programme is designed specifically for those intending to seek a career in Travel and Tourism. In addition to classroom teaching and in support of your studies, there will be visits to local facilities and events. Students will receive talks from guest speakers and industry experts and there may be an opportunity for students to achieve a Welcome Host qualification. All new students will partake in a four-day induction programme. This will include a trip which aims to introduce students to the local tourism industry. In second year there may be the opportunity of a further trip. All students will complete a Welcome Host qualification at Coleraine campus and Essential Skill qualifications in numeracy and literacy are also available.



Above left: Travel and Tourism Students at Coleraine Northern Regional College pictured with Catherine Spencer and Eleanor Dillon from the N.I. Environmental Agency and also pictured are Lecturers Richard Hasson (far left) and Wendy Gallagher (far right), Photo courtesy of Coleraine Chronicle. Above right: Travel and Tourism Students from the Northern Regional College in Coleraine pictured during a talk on Volunteering opportunities with the National Trust on the North Coast, Photo courtesy of Coleraine Chronicle. Below: Travel and Tourism students visit the renowned Carrick-A-Rede Rope Bridge as part of their project work for units of study - Visitor Attractions.

Students may also have opportunities to study four certified part-time programmes entitled Certificate in Airline and Airport Customer Care, Certificate in Airline and Airport Passenger Service Agent Skills, Certificate in Cabin Crew Operations and Certificate in Setting Up a Tourism Business.

Assessment Methods

Units are internally assessed and graded by lecturers. An overall grade for the qualification is awarded to all learners who successfully complete all units. Grades awarded are Pass, Merit or Distinction.



Progression Routes

Level 3 BTEC Extended Diplomas are valued by employers and higher education (universities and colleges). If you want to get a job straight away you could work in the Travel and Tourism industry in careers such as Tour and Travel Operations, Travel Agents, Airline and Airport Operations, Hotel Management, Conference and Event Management, Customer Services, Holiday Rep, Adventure Tourism, Visitor Attractions, Public Sector Tourism, Heritage, Entertainment and Leisure, Transport etc.

If you decide to go to university or college you could take a degree or a Level 5 BTEC Higher National Diploma in Travel and Tourism Management, Tourism and Hospitality, Event Management or other related areas.

Apply online at apply.nrc.ac.uk to track your application from interview to enrolment. Applications open on 13 January 2016 for courses starting in September.



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