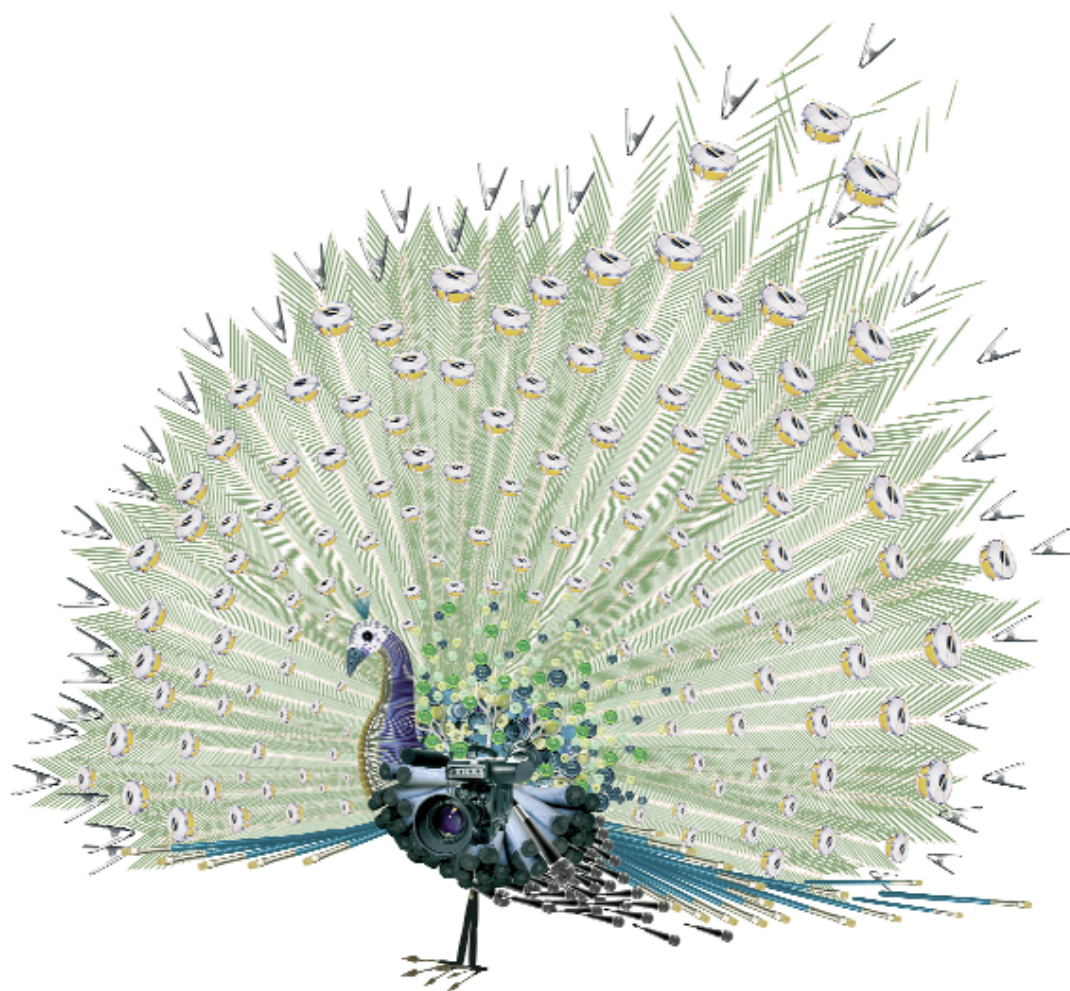


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These specialist learning qualifications are vocational qualifications which focus on the development of the underlying principals and practical skills required in the Media, Music and Photography Sector. The Specialist learning has been designed to give learners an opportunity to discover the breadth of opportunities and potential progression within the sector. The qualifications will help learners gain valuable insights into each industry, and will develop useful basic skills and relevant background knowledge. They have been approved by Skillset and Creative and Cultural Skills, the standard setting body for the Media Sector. They have been designed by City & Guilds to:

- Complement principal learning within the Diploma in Creative and Media.
- Provide a clear understanding of Media, Music and Photography with an introduction to the practical skills and knowledge required within this sector.
- Provide an awareness of the range of jobs and work settings.
- To provide learners with employability skills and an informed understanding of career opportunities.
- Encourage learners to reach a level of knowledge and skills that will facilitate progress into further vocational learning or to potential employment in the sector
- All the qualifications are supported and used by the industry.
- Encourage learners to value continued learning and remain in the learning process.

Which qualifications are available in this area?

Level 3 Diploma in Media Techniques

These qualifications meet the ASL requirements of the Diploma in Creative and Media studies. The purpose of these qualifications is to provide a broad background of understanding of the media sector and the vocational skills required within it. To provide a qualification that is highly valued both by candidates and employers. With a wealth of subject content and pathways to ensure the learners chosen specialist area of study is catered for.

These qualifications complement the principal learning topics and supports the development of creative and imaginative skills. These qualifications are assessed through one assignment per unit.

How is the qualification structured?

There are two diplomas and one certificate, all have two mandatory units and a variety of optional units depending on your chosen pathway. There are signposted pathways in the following subject areas:

- Radio Journalism
- Print Journalism
- Television Journalism
- Broadcast Journalism

- Radio and Print Journalism
- Television and Print Journalism
- Radio Studio Production
- Television Studio Production
- Video Production

Level 1-3 Certificates & Diplomas in Sound Engineering and Music Technology

These qualifications meet the ASL requirements of the Diploma in Creative and Media studies.

These qualifications complement the principal learning topics and supports the development of creative and imaginative skills. The qualifications have been designed to provide candidates with the practical skills and knowledge valued by employers within the industry. The qualifications have been developed with sound engineers from UK music studios to ensure it reflects current industry practices. The aims of the qualification are to improve the skills and knowledge of individuals and to increase their chances of gaining employment within the music and sound industries. The qualifications are assessed by means of one assignment per unit covering all of the mandatory units at each level in order to attain the overarching qualification.

How is the qualification structured?

Level 1 Certificate in Sound and Music Technology: This is made up of nine mandatory units.

Level 2 Diploma in Sound and Music Technology: This is made up of six mandatory units and five optional units.

Level 3 Diploma in Sound and Music Technology.

Level 1-3 Award, Certificate and Diploma in Photo Imaging

These qualifications meet the ASL requirements of the Diploma in Creative and Media studies.

These qualifications complement the principal learning topics and supports the development of creative and imaginative skills. The qualifications have been designed to provide candidates with the practical skills and knowledge valued by employers within the industry. They are now more flexible than ever. Centres can run them in a variety of ways; offering single and combined units, as well as the full qualification. City & Guilds qualifications make life easier for tutors too by providing ready-written portfolio-based assignments. This not only saves preparation time, it also ensures quality through standardisation across all centres and learners. It aims to improve the skills and knowledge of individuals to increase their chances of gaining employment within the photo imaging industry, these qualifications have been created using the Blueprint from Skillset's NOS (the Sector Skills Council for the industry) The qualifications are assessed by means of a practical assignment per unit for each level.

Key points

- Designed to support the principle learning for the Creative and Media Diploma
- All qualifications are eligible for funding
- All qualifications are supported with a variety of materials and online information
- Photo imaging online gallery for sample work
- Annual photography competition

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How is the qualification structured?

Level 1 Photo Imaging qualifications: The qualifications are for candidates who wish to learn the basic skills and knowledge of photo imaging, to support progression on to further study or training in the subject, and on to potential future employment in the sector. The qualification has many pathways which are structured in a variety of ways in order to make it flexible and learner responsive.

Level 2 Photo Imaging qualifications: These qualifications will appeal to a wide range of learners who wish to develop their knowledge and skills in photo imaging. There is a full level 2 Diploma suitable for learners who wish to enter into or progress in employment or wish to progress into education and training. The qualification has many pathways which are structured in a variety of ways in order to make it flexible and learner responsive.

Level 3 Photo Imaging qualifications: These qualifications will appeal to a wide range of learners who wish to develop their knowledge and skills in photo imaging. There is a full level 3 Professional Diploma is suitable for learners who wish to enter into or progress in employment or who wish to progress into education and training. The qualification has many pathways which are structured in a variety of ways in order to make it flexible and learner responsive.

The Photo Imaging qualifications come with a great deal of support from Schemes of Work to the New Online Photography Gallery:

www.cityandguilds.com/photographygallery

What's the next step?

Government Gateway process:

Your school or college must pass through the Government Gateway process in order to receive approval to offer Diplomas in Hair and Beauty Studies. Once through the Gateway process, approved consortia may start teaching Diplomas. More information is available on the DCSF website: <http://www.dcsf.gov.uk>

If you are an existing approved centre, you will need to complete a qualification approval form (QAP), or a fast-track form if you already approved for any of our NVQ's or VRQ's in hairdressing or beauty therapy. If you are not an approved centre and would like to become one, please contact your nearest City and Guilds office who will guide you through the approval process.

How can I find out more?

You can find out more by contacting your nearest City & Guilds office. Log on to our website to find the location of your nearest one, or contact our Customer Relations team at:

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