

2025 ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

General Entry Requirements (Level 3 Programmes)

The general entry requirements to study a Level 3 programme at Carmel College are as follows:

A LEVEL STUDY PROGRAMME

5 x grade 5s or above at GCSE or equivalent

BTEC STUDY PROGRAMME

5 x grade 4s or above at GCSE or equivalent

T LEVEL STUDY PROGRAMME

2 x grade 5s and 3 x grade 4s or above at GCSE or equivalent

Specific entry requirements for your chosen programme of study will be discussed at your guidance interview and on enrolment day.

Course Specific Entry Requirements

As well as meeting the general requirements above, the table below outlines the specific qualifications you will need to study individual courses.

A LEVEL / BTEC / LEVEL 3 COURSE	COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
ART - Fashion and Textile Design	
ART - Fine Art	If you haven't studied Art, no problem, just come and talk to one of our tutors.
ART - Graphic Design	If you have studied Art, you will need any Art & Design GCSE grade 4 or a Technology GCSE grade
ART - Photography	4 including Resistant Materials, Product Design, Graphic Products, Textiles or equivalent.
ART - 3D Design	
Biology	Grade 6 in GCSE Biology or 66 in Combined Science plus grade 5 in GCSE Maths and grade 4 in English Language.
Business Studies	Grade 5 in GCSE Maths and GCSE English Language.
Chemistry	Grade 6 in GCSE Chemistry or 66 in Combined Science plus grade 5 in GCSE Maths and grade 4 in English Language.
Classical Civilisation	Grade 5s in GCSE English Language and GCSE English Literature plus grade 4 in GCSE History if studied.
Computer Science	Grade 6 in GCSE Maths, Grade 4 in English Language and Grade 5 in Computer Science if studied.
Criminology (Level 3)	At least a Grade 4 in GCSE English Language.
Economics	Grade 6 in GCSE Maths and grade 5 in GCSE English Language.
English Language	Grade 5 in GCSE English Language and a grade 5 in GCSE English Literature (if studied).
English Language and Literature	Grade 5 in GCSE English Language and a grade 5 in GCSE English Literature (if studied).
English Literature	Grade 5 in GCSE English Language and a grade 5 in GCSE English Literature (if studied).
Film Studies	Grade 5 in GCSE English Language.
French	Grade 5 in GCSE French and grade 5 in GCSE English language.

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Geography	Grade 5 in GCSE Geography (if studied) and grade 5 in English Language and Maths.
History	Grade 5 in GCSE History or Humanities (if studied) and GCSE grade 5 in English Language.
Law	Grade 5 in GCSE English Language.
Maths	Grade 6 in GCSE Maths.
Maths (Further)	Grade 7 in GCSE Maths (to be studied alongside A Level Maths).
Media Studies	Grade 5 in GCSE English Language and Grade 5 in Media Studies (if studied).
Physical Education	Grade 5 in GCSE PE or a Merit in BTEC Sport (If you have not studied these, you must be participating in a sport at club level) plus GCSE grade 5 in Science and English Language and grade 4 in Mathematics.
Physics	Grade 6 in GCSE Physics or 66 in Combined Science plus grade 6 in GCSE Maths and grade 5 in GCSE English Language.
Politics	Grade 5 in GCSE English Language.
Psychology	Grade 5 in GCSE English Language & Maths. Science requirement - grade 55 in GCSE Combined Science or grade 5 in Biology plus one more grade 5 from Chemistry or Physics.
Sociology	Grade 5 in GCSE English Language.
Spanish	Grade 5 in GCSE Spanish* and grade 5 in GCSE English language. *From the higher tier GCSE paper.
Statistics	Grade 5 in GCSE Maths and grade 5 in English Language.
Theology, Philosophy & Ethics	Grade 5 in GCSE Religious Studies (if studied) and grade 5 in GCSE English Language.
UAL Extended Diploma in Creative Practice (Extended Diploma - 3 subjects)	Any Art & Design GCSE grade 4 or a Technology GCSE grade 4 including Resistant Materials, Product Design, Graphic Products, Textiles or equivalent. If you haven't studied Art, no problem, just come and talk to one of the tutors.
BTEC Business (Double & Single Awards)	Grade 4 in GCSE Maths, English Language plus GCSE Business (if studied) or a Merit in BTEC First Award in Business/BTEC Technical Award in Enterprise (if studied).
BTEC Health & Social Care (Single & Double Awards)	Grade 4 in GCSE Maths, English Language & Science and a Pass in BTEC Health & Social Care (if studied).
BTEC Engineering	5 x grade 5s at GCSE (or equivalent) including grade 5 in GCSE Maths and grade 5 in Physics or 55 in Combined Science plus grade 4 in English Language.
BTEC IT (Single Award)	Grade 4 in GCSE ICT or pass in equivalent ICT qualification (if studied) plus GCSE grade 4 in both English Language and Maths.
BTEC Performing Arts (Theatre) (Single Award)	Grade 4 in GCSE English Language.
BTEC Psychology (Single Award)	Grade 4 in GCSE Maths, English and Science.
BTEC Applied Science (Single & Double Awards)	Grade 4 in GCSE Maths, English and Science.
BTEC Applied Human Biology (Single Award)	Grade 4 in GCSE Maths, English and Science.
BTEC Sport (Single, Double & Triple Awards)	Grade 4 in GCSE PE or a Merit in BTEC Level 2 PE plus GCSE grade 4 in English Language, Maths and Science.
T Level Education & Early Years	You will need at least two 5s and three 4s at GCSE including at least a 4 in English Language, Maths and Science.

GCSE Maths & English Language

It's a government requirement that students continue to study English and Maths if they do not achieve a grade 4 in their GCSEs.

For more information about our entry requirements, email: admissions@carmel.ac.uk





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