

Term	Topics	Assessment
AUTUMN	<u>BTEC Tech Award – Music</u> Component 1 – Exploring Music Products and Style Styles of music studied include: - Blues - Rock N' Roll - Reggae - House/techno - Music for Media Skills & Knowledge: - A study of how the elements of music are used in the above styles - Development of sequencing skills - Microphones and recording techniques - Types of musical products - Composing and arranging musical ideas	Internally assessed. Practical portfolio of evidence including video, audio, DAW projects, observed live performance and musical scores. Portfolio accompanied by a commentary demonstrating students' understanding of different music genres and styles. Portfolio due in April.
SPRING	Component 2 –Music Skills Development Recording and production skills: - Personal and professional skills for the music industry - Basic microphone types and positions - Recording drum kits (location work) - Recording horns and vocals - DI techniques - Basic mixing and FX - Planning a recording session - Importing and editing audio - Step and real time sequencing	
SUMMER	Composition skills: - Composing to a set brief - Developing melodic ideas - Chord patterns - Different textures - Structures in music - Instrumentation and orchestration	

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AUTUMN	<u>BTEC Tech Award – Music</u> Component 2 – Exploring Music Products and Style (cont.) - Skills audits and development plans - Creating technical exercises to show progress - Creating products for the assessment	Internally assessed. Component 2 skills development portfolio due December.
SPRING	Component 3 – Responding to a Commercial Music Brief - Examine features of a commercial brief - Exploration of different ways of responding to a set brief - Importing stems from songs - Studying associated musical elements of techniques	Externally assessed. 12-week assessment period timetabled by Pearson. Includes three activities and a preparation task. Final DAW projects to be recorded as audio and saved digitally.
SUMMER	- Creating authentic musical styles - Manipulating audio - Reviewing and evaluating products. - Activity 1 of set task - Activity 2 of set task - Activity 3 of set task	