

SIXTH FORM ENTRY REQUIREMENTS 2010

There are two levels of entry into courses at Shaftesbury and Sturminster Sixth Form and the requirements will differ.

LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA COURSES

A minimum of 5 GCSE's grade E and above are needed for entry into a course at Level 2. You will also be expected to retake English and/or Mathematics (if C grades have not been obtained) as part of your course.

The Diplomas presently available for September 2010 are:

Shaftesbury School: Sport & Active Leisure; Hospitality

Sturminster Newton High School: I.T.

Gillingham School: Engineering

Kingston Maurward College: Environmental and Land-based Studies

The Gryphon School, Sherborne: Business Administration & Finance

LEVEL 3 COURSES

A normal course at Level 3 consists of 4 subjects at AS Level in the first year and reducing to 3 subjects at A Level in the second year. It should be noted that many universities are now insisting that applicants have undertaken this normal course.

An average score of a C grade or 40 points across all GCSE subjects is required for entry on to a 4 AS Level course.

The scoring system is as follows:

A* = 58, A = 52, B = 46, C = 40, D = 34, E = 28, F = 22, G = 16, U = 0

The average score is calculated by adding together the score for each subject and then dividing this total by the number of subjects.

Should an applicant average between 37 and 39.9 points, he or she will be accepted to do 3 subjects at AS Level and receive support during the extra free time available through the reduction in subjects.

All Level 3 students will be required to retake English and/or Mathematics if a Grade C has not been obtained in either subject.

The subjects presently available for September 2010 at AS Level are listed in the Course Descriptions booklet.

PLEASE NOTE THAT STUDENTS WILL BE EXPECTED TO COMPLETE COURSES IN ALL SUBJECTS STARTED AT THE BEGINNING OF THE AUTUMN TERM. STUDENTS WILL NOT, THEREFORE, BE ALLOWED TO "DROP" A SUBJECT ONCE STARTED.

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