

# BTEC HNC/HND in Public Services

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**Length of course:** 1 year each for HNC and HND

**Starts:** 23 September 2019 | **Ends:** 3 July 2020

**Delivery site** | Tottenham Centre | High Road | London N15 4RU

## Typical entry requirements:

- Level 3 qualification in Public Services (A-Level, BTEC - Merit or Distinction grades)
- Excellent reference
- Level 2 English and Maths

## Course Overview

The opportunities to build careers in the public services in London are mainly focussed on the emergency services. By enrolling on this course, students will have the opportunity to complete the Security Industry Authority Licence, sport and outdoor coaching qualifications and activity management and leadership qualifications. Public service organisations such as the Metropolitan Police are raising both the academic and physical fitness requirements for applicants so that successful candidates will have a higher level of academic reasoning and ability, along with the level of fitness so that a fitter and better equipped service is created for the future. Through links with organisations such as the Adventure Learning Charity Swinley Bike Hub, Crown Estate, Haringey Council, Metropolitan Police and Middlesex University's Sports Faculty, students will develop a range of work relevant skills at a higher level, allowing them to progress onto higher-level qualifications or into their chosen career. You will be exposed to a variety of public service organisations and you will have significant opportunities to network and make valuable contacts with a wide range of both uniformed and non-uniformed services. Previous groups have had the opportunity to work with First Responder and members of the military services and learners have worked with the Metropolitan Police Service to deliver events on their behalf such as Skills London and the Pan London Youth Day. To further develop your leadership and management skills, you will be expected to lead and manage the annual expedition weeks for all Public Services learners from both CONEL centres. Class sizes are between six and twelve students. Each student has a specific personalised learning programme, this programme will also enable you to mentor Level 1 and 2 students as part of your qualification. Our delivery team have over seventy years combined experience of working in the uniformed and non-uniformed public services. You will be taught by former serving members of the Emergency and Military Services. Our aims are to build on your personal confidence, leadership and management skills. This programme will teach you discipline, improve your personal development and give you the opportunity to showcase your organisational skills, needed in any public service.

## Pearson RQF HNC and HND Study Program

The BTEC Higher National qualifications in Public Services are aimed at students wanting to continue their education through applied learning. Higher Nationals provide a wide-ranging study of public services and are designed for students who wish to pursue or advance their career in public services. In addition to the knowledge, understanding and skills that underpin the study of public services, Pearson BTEC Higher Nationals in Public Services give students experience of the breadth and depth of the sector that will prepare them for further study or training.

**At Level 4 students will study a total of eight units and develop a broad knowledge and awareness of key aspects of public services through four core units, which will include one unit assessed by a Pearson-set assignment.**

### Core units: Level 4

- Unit 1: Organisational Structures and Culture
- Unit 2: Mental Health and Wellbeing
- Unit 3: Equality, Diversity and Fair Treatment
- Unit 4: Public Services in Contemporary Society (Pearson-set).

### Civil protection

- Unit 5: Integrated Emergency Management
- Unit 6: Terrorism and Counter-terrorism.

### Optional

- Unit 14: Crime and Substance Misuse
- Unit 21: Outdoor Skills Development.

**At Level 5, students will study a total of seven units: two core units together with five additional units from a specialist pathway. At Level 5, the unit options are:**

### Core units:

- Unit 29: Research Project (Pearson-set) (30 credits)
- Unit 30: Reflective Professional Practice.

### Civil protection:

- Unit 31: International Institutions and Global Affairs
- Unit 32: Serious and Organised Crime.

### Optional

- Unit 42: Expedition Planning
- Unit 46: Aviation and Maritime Protection
- Unit 49: Applied Forensic Psychology.

### Teaching learning and assessment

Assessment is through a range of projects and assignments that support the analysis of research into various aspects of Public Service organisations or through the preparation and delivery of practical activities which are recorded, evaluated and submitted for summative assessment. Your work will take the form of completing journals, drafting reports, presentations, group discussions and the delivery and evaluation of practical sector skills.

### What additional support will I need?

You will have a personal tutor, access to excellent teaching and learning facilities including VLE, access to all current publications, reports, documents all on line and in the Learning Resource Centre, definitive on-site reading lists of books and journals, and access to industry standard software and specialist industry equipment via the service sector for Uniformed Service and Outdoor Pursuits activity. To meet all students' holistic requirements, we have on site support officers to help you with any other issues.

### How do I apply?

Via the UCAS website, using the UCAS code at the top of this page.

### Further Information

The course specification is available at

<https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/btec-higher-nationals/public-services-2018.html>

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