

	Single Qualifications						
Qualification	AAA Equivalents			AAB Equivalents			Explanatory note
A-level and International A-level	Best three grades, either: A* A* A* A* A* A A* A* B A* A* C A* A A A* A B A A A			Best three grades, either: A* A* D A* A C A* B B A A B			This includes all A-levels awarded by an accredited UK awarding body including International A-levels and the Advanced Vocational Certificate of Education A double-award A-level counts as two single awards at the grade awarded.
Access to Higher Education Diploma	Overall Pass – must include 45 credits at Level 3, of which 45 credits must be at Distinction			Overall Pass – must include 45 credits at Level 3, of which 39 credits must be at Distinction and 6 must be Merit			
BTEC National Qualification: One Diploma (NQF)	Distinction	Distinction	Distinction				This requires the achievement of three grades under the suite of qualifications known as Nationals, which can include corresponding qualifications from both the NQF and QCF frameworks. This applies to sets of qualifications that produce only three grades (for example, an NQF Certificate and a QCF Subsidiary Diploma are eligible, however
BTEC National Qualification: One Certificate (NQF) + One Award (NQF)	Distinction	Distinction	+ Distinction				
BTEC National Qualification: Three Awards (NQF)	Distinction	Distinction	Distinction				
BTEC National Qualification: One Extended Diploma (QCF)	Distinction*	Distinction*	Distinction*				
BTEC National Qualification: One Diploma (QCF) + One Subsidiary Diploma (QCF)	Distinction*	Distinction*	+ Distinction*	Distinction*	Distinction	+ Merit	
	Distinction*	Distinction*	+ Distinction	Distinction	Merit	+ Distinction*	
	Distinction*	Distinction*	+ Merit	Merit			
	Distinction*	Distinction	+ Distinction*	Distinction*			
	Distinction*	Distinction	+ Distinction	Distinction			
	Distinction	Distinction	+ Distinction*	Distinction*			
	Distinction	Distinction	+ Distinction	Distinction			

Qualification	AAA Equivalents	AAB Equivalents	Explanatory note
BTEC National Qualification: Three Subsidiary Diplomas (QCF)	Distinction* Distinction* Distinction* Distinction* Distinction* Distinction Distinction* Distinction* Merit Distinction* Distinction Distinction Distinction Distinction Distinction	Distinction* Distinction Merit	a NQF Certificate and a QCF Diploma are not eligible)
BTEC National Qualification: One Certificate (NQF) + One Subsidiary Diploma (QCF)	Distinction Distinction + Distinction* Distinction Distinction + Distinction	Distinction Merit + Distinction*	
BTEC National Qualification: One Diploma (QCF) + One Award (NQF)	Distinction* Distinction* + Distinction Distinction* Distinction* + Merit Distinction* Distinction + Distinction Distinction Distinction + Distinction	Distinction* Distinction + Merit	
BTEC National Qualification: Two Awards (NQF) + One Subsidiary Diploma (QCF)	Distinction Distinction + Distinction* Distinction, Distinction + Distinction	Distinction Merit + Distinction*	
BTEC National Qualification: Two Subsidiary Diplomas (QCF) and One Award (NQF)	Distinction* Distinction* + Distinction Distinction* Distinction* + Merit Distinction* Distinction + Distinction Distinction Distinction + Distinction	Distinction* Distinction + Merit Distinction* Merit + Distinction	
BTEC National Diploma in Early Years Education	Distinction Distinction Distinction		Inclusive of NQF and QCF versions
Council for Awards in Care, Health and Education (CACHE) Level 3 diploma in Child Care and Education	Grade A* Grade A		
CACHE Level 3 Extended Diploma for the Children and Young People's Workforce	Grade A* Grade A		QCF version

Qualification	AAA Equivalents	AAB Equivalents	Explanatory note
Oxford Cambridge and RSA Examinations (OCR) National Extended Diploma	<p>National Extended Diploma: Grade D1</p> <p>One National Diploma and One National Certificate: Grade D Grade D</p> <p>Three National Certificates: Grade D Grade D Grade D</p>		The grade required in the National Diploma is listed first, then the grade required in the National Certificate
OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Qualification: One Extended Diploma	Distinction* Distinction* Distinction* Distinction* Distinction* Distinction Distinction* Distinction Distinction Distinction Distinction Distinction		This requires the achievement of three grades under the suite of qualifications known as Cambridge Technical
OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Qualification: One Diploma + One Introductory Diploma	Distinction* Distinction* + Distinction* Distinction* Distinction* + Distinction Distinction* Distinction* + Merit Distinction* Distinction + Distinction* Distinction* Distinction + Distinction Distinction Distinction + Distinction* Distinction Distinction + Distinction	Distinction* Distinction + Merit Distinction Merit + Distinction*	
OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Qualification: Three Introductory Diplomas	Distinction* Distinction* Distinction* Distinction* Distinction* Distinction Distinction* Distinction* Merit Distinction* Distinction Distinction Distinction Distinction Distinction	Distinction* Distinction Merit	
National Proficiency Tests Council or City and Guilds Land Based Extended Diploma	Distinction * at Level 3 Distinction at Level 3		
Progression Diploma	A* A		
Scottish Advanced Highers:	Best three grades, either: A A A	Best three grades, either: A A B	

Qualification	AAA Equivalents	AAB Equivalents	Explanatory note
Scottish Highers:	Best five grades, either: A A A A A A A A A B A A A A C A A A A D A A A B B A A A B C A A B B B	Best five grades, either: A A A B D A A A C C A A B B C A B B B B	
International Baccalaureate	Overall of 35 points with 3 Higher level subjects at either: H7 H7 H7 H7 H7 H6 H7 H7 H5 H7 H6 H6 H6 H6 H6	Overall of 35 points with 3 Higher level subjects at either: H7 H7 H4 H7 H6 H5	
Irish Leaving Certificate	Best four grades, either: A1 A1 A1 A1	Best four grades, either: A1 A1 A1 A2 A1 A1 A1 B1	
Cambridge Pre-U	To be considered on an individual basis – please contact the Admissions Office (admissions@bradford.ac.uk).	To be considered on an individual basis – please contact the Admissions Office (admissions@bradford.ac.uk).	From the Principal Subject or Global Perspectives and Research (GPR) elements only

Qualifications in combination with A-level

In combination with BTEC National Subsidiary Diplomas (QCF) or Award (NQF)

Combination of two Advanced Levels (A-levels) and one BTEC Subsidiary Diploma (QCF) or Award (NQF)

AAA equivalents:

A Level Grades	BTEC Subsidiary Diploma (QCF) or Award (NQF) grade
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(A*, A*)	Distinction*, Distinction or Merit
(A*, A)	Distinction*, Distinction
(A*, B) or (A, A)	Distinction* or Distinction
(A*, C)	Distinction*

AAB equivalents:

A Level Grades	BTEC Subsidiary Diploma (QCF) or Award (NQF) grade
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(A*, A)	Merit
(A*, C)	Distinction
(A*, D), (A, B), (A, C) or (B, B)	Distinction*

*Combination of one A-level and two BTEC Subsidiary Diplomas(QCF) or Awards (NQF) or one A-level and one Subsidiary Diploma(QCF) and One Award (NQF)**

AAA equivalents:

BTEC Subsidiary Diplomas (QCF)/Awards (NQF) grades	A-level grade
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(Distinction*, Merit)	A* grade
(Distinction, Distinction)	A grade or higher
(Distinction*, Distinction)	B grade or higher
(Distinction*, Distinction*)	C grade or higher

AAB equivalents:

BTEC Subsidiary Diplomas (QCF)/Awards (NQF) grades	A-level grade
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(Distinction, Merit)	A* grade
(Distinction*, Merit)	A grade
(Distinction, Distinction)	B grade
(Distinction*, Distinction)	C grade
(Distinction*, Distinction*)	D grade

<u>In combination with a single BTEC National Diploma (QCF) or Certificate (NQF)</u>	
Combination of one A-level and one BTEC Diploma (QCF) or Certificate (NQF)	
AAA equivalents:	
BTEC Diploma (QCF) or Award (NQF) grade	A-level grade
Distinction Distinction	A grade or higher
Distinction* Distinction	B grade or higher
Distinction* Distinction*	C grade or higher
AAB equivalents:	
BTEC Diploma (QCF) or Award (NQF) grade	A-level grade
Distinction Merit	A* grade
Distinction Distinction	B grade
Distinction* Distinction	C grade
Distinction* Distinction*	D grade
<u>In combination with OCR National Certificates or OCR Cambridge Technical Level 3 Introductory Diplomas</u>	
Combination of two A-levels and one OCR National Certificate	
AAA equivalents:	
A-level grades	OCR National Certificate grade
(A*, A*)	Distinction or Merit
(A*, A)	Distinction
(A*, B) or (A, A)	Distinction
AAB equivalents:	
A-level grades	OCR National Certificate grade
(A*, A), (A, A)	Merit
(A*, C), (A, B)	Distinction

Combination of two A-levels and one OCR Cambridge Technical Introductory Diploma	
AAA equivalents:	
A-level grades	OCR Cambridge Technical Introductory Diploma grade
(A*, A*)	Distinction*, Distinction or Merit
(A*, A)	Distinction* or Distinction
(A*, B) or (A, A)	Distinction*, Distinction
(A*, C) or (A, B),	Distinction*
(A*, D), (A, C) or (B, B)	Distinction*
AAB equivalents:	
A-level grades	OCR Cambridge Technical Introductory Diploma grade
(A*, A*), (A*, A)	Merit
(A*, C) or (A, B)	Distinction
(A*, D), (A, C) or (B, B)	Distinction*
Combination of one A-level and two OCR National Certificates	
AAA equivalents:	
OCR National Certificate Grade	A-level Grade
(Distinction, Distinction)	A* or A grade
AAB equivalents:	
OCR National Certificate Grade	A-level Grade
(Distinction, Merit)	A* grade
(Distinction, Distinction)	B grade

Combination of one A-level and two OCR Cambridge Technical Introductory Diplomas**AAA equivalents:**

OCR Cambridge Technical Introductory Diploma grades	A-level grade
Distinction*, Merit	A* grade
(Distinction, Distinction)	A* or A grade
(Distinction*, Distinction)	A*, A or B grade
(Distinction*, Distinction*)	A*, A, B or C grade

AAB equivalents:

OCR Cambridge Technical Introductory Diploma grades	A-level grade
(Distinction, Merit)	A* grade
(Distinction*, Merit)	A grade
(Distinction, Distinction)	B grade
(Distinction*, Distinction)	C grade
(Distinction*, Distinction*)	D grade

In combination with a single OCR National Diploma or a single OCR Cambridge Level 3 Technical Diploma**Combination of one A-level and one OCR National Diploma****AAA equivalents:**

OCR National Diploma grade	A-level grade
Merit 1	A* grade
Distinction	A* or A grades

AAB equivalents:

OCR National Diploma grade	A-level grade
Distinction	B grade

Combination of one A-level and one OCR Cambridge Technical Diploma	
AAA equivalents:	A-level grade
OCR Cambridge Technical Diploma grade	A-level grade
Distinction Distinction	A* or A grade
Distinction* Distinction	A*, A or B grade
Distinction* Distinction*	A*, A, B or C grade
AAB equivalents:	
OCR Cambridge Technical Diploma grade	A-level grade
Distinction Merit	A* grade
Distinction Distinction	B grade
Distinction* Distinction	C grade
Distinction* Distinction*	D grade
In combination with Cambridge Pre-U Certificates (from the Principal Subject or Global Perspectives and Research (GPR) elements only)	
Combination of two A-levels and one Cambridge Pre-U Certificate	
AAA equivalents:	A-level grade
A-level grades	Cambridge Pre-U Certificate grade
(A*, A*)	Merit 3 or higher
(A*, A)	Merit 2 or higher
(A*, B) or (A, A)	Distinction 3 or higher
(A*, C) or (A, B)	Distinction 2 or higher
AAB equivalents:	
A-level grades	Cambridge Pre-U Certificate grade
(A*, A*)	Pass 1 or Pass 2
(A*, A)	Merit 3
(A*, B) or (A, A)	Merit 1 or Merit 2
(A*, C) or (A, B)	Distinction 3
(A*, D), (A, C) or (B, B)	Distinction 2 or higher

Combination of one A-level and two Cambridge Pre-U Certificates**AAA equivalents:****A-level grade****Cambridge Pre-U Certificate grades****A-level grade**

(Distinction 3, Merit 3) (Distinction 2, Merit 3) (Distinction 3, Merit 2) or (Merit 1, Merit 1)

A* grade

(Distinction 2, Merit 2) or (Distinction 3, Merit 1)

A* or A grade

(Distinction 2, Distinction 3) or (Distinction 3, Distinction 3)

A*, A or B

(Distinction 2, Distinction 2)

A*, A, B or C

AAB equivalents:**Cambridge Pre-U Certificate grades****A-level grade**

(Distinction 2, Pass 1), (Distinction 2, Pass 2), (Distinction 3, Pass 1), (Merit 1, Merit 2), (Merit 1, Merit 3) or (Merit 2, Merit 2)

A* grade

(Distinction 2, Merit 3) (Distinction 3, Merit 2) (Merit 1, Merit 1) or (Distinction 3, Merit 3),

A grade

(Distinction 2, Merit 2) (Distinction 2, Merit 1) or (Distinction 3, Merit 1)

B grade

(Distinction 2, Distinction 3) or (Distinction 3, Distinction 3)

C grade

(Distinction 2, Distinction 2)

D grade

Notes

1. Where Distinction 2 is referenced, Distinction 1 can also be substituted.