

WELSH BACCALAUREATE NATIONAL

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- Individual Project
- Enterprise and Employability Challenge
- Global Citizenship Challenge
- Community Challenge

The Supporting Qualifications include two mandatory GCSEs of English Language or Welsh Language together with Mathematics-Numeracy at grade A*- C which may have been achieved previously. During the course a learner must achieve Level 2 qualifications with a total of at least 300 GCH, these must be obtained from a maximum of four distinct qualifications.

COURSE OUTLINE

WHY STUDY WBQ AT NATIONAL LEVEL?

The central focus of the National (post-16) Welsh Baccalaureate is to provide a vehicle for level 2 post-16 learners to consolidate and develop essential and employability skills within the context of their chosen Learning Programme.

The Welsh Baccalaureate will encourage the learner to value skills development as a key aspect of education and life-long learning. Offering a learning experience relevant to the needs and demands of the workplace will develop learners' confidence, drive and initiative, preparing them to enter, succeed and progress in the world of work. Through the Welsh Baccalaureate learners will raise their skills levels and confidence, enabling and empowering them to take their place as responsible and active citizens within a diverse society. Alongside and through the development of skills, the Welsh Baccalaureate provides learners with the opportunity to develop their knowledge and understanding of society, the community in which they live and an awareness of global issues, events and perspectives. Learners will be required to consider how the application of their learning may impact on individuals, employers, society and the environment.

STRUCTURE OF COURSE:

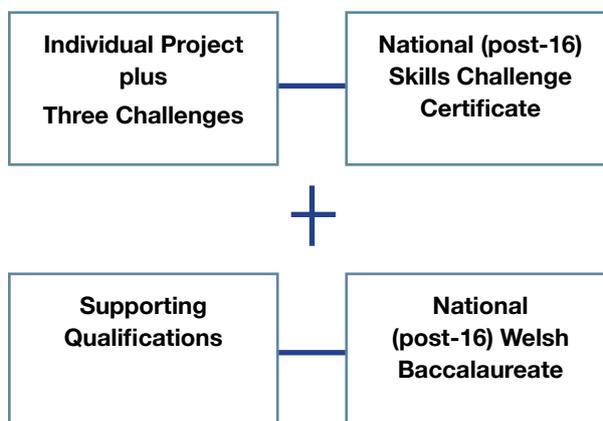
The Welsh Baccalaureate is based on a Skills Challenge Certificate alongside Supporting Qualifications. The requirements of both the Skills Challenge Certificate and Supporting Qualifications must be met in order to achieve the overarching Welsh Baccalaureate. The Skills Challenge Certificate consists of four components which are followed by all learners:

Entry Requirements

GCSE grades G+

- 1 year course
- Must be studied alongside BTEC Business

The following diagram illustrates the routes towards achievement of the National (post-16) Welsh Baccalaureate.



The focus of the Skills Challenge Certificate will be on the essential and employability skills young people need in their future lives and these skills will be developed and assessed through an Individual Project and three Challenges. The Skills Challenge Certificate has been designed to include learning and assessment which will enthuse, engage and motivate learners in the classroom, the workplace and the wider community. The qualification has been devised around the concept of a 'plan, do, and review' approach to learning where learners are introduced to a context for learning, plan activities, carry out activities, review outcomes and learning. Challenges are individually evidenced and assessed through a Candidate Portfolio.