



# Business & Computing Examinations (BCE) LONDON (UK)

## BCE Assessment Strategy

Applicants should have the following entry requirements:

<b>Level 3</b>	Completion of GCSEs or any recognised Level 2 or 3 qualifications.
<b>Level 4</b>	Recognised Level 3 or higher.
<b>Level 5</b>	Recognised Level 4 or higher.
<b>Level 6</b>	Recognised Level 5 or higher.

**1.1 Obligations of those who Administer Assessment**  
[see BCE Ethical Policy; Section 2 – Assessment Principles]

## 2. Delivery of Awards and Centre Approval Process

BCE awards can be delivered using the following methods:

- Full-time learning
- Part-time learning (day or evening)
- Flexible learning

### Centre Approval Process

[see Accreditation Handbook; Chapter 2 – Centre Approval Process and Requirements]

## 3. BCE Assessment Principle Concepts and Procedures

All BCE Assessments are externally assessed.

[See Accreditation Handbook; Chapter 3 – BCE Centre Assessment Information]

## 4. BCE Qualifications, Rules of Combination, Grading System and Relationship to National Occupational Standards (NOS)

### 4.1 BCE Pilot Qualification and Evaluation

The development of each award include the consultation of stakeholders through:

- Questionnaire survey
- Meetings with interested stakeholders
- Consultation events with Higher Education colleges and visits to their locations

The consultations reveal strong support for:

- External assessment
- Reduced manageable set of mandatory units.

The mandatory units mean:

1. The results we receive show a clear picture as all stakeholders are analysing exactly the same units (hence room for misunderstandings is minimised)
2. BCE can design learner study materials suitable for all stakeholders

#### 4.1.1 Computing Qualifications Guided Learning Hours and Credit Framework Level/Value

[see Accreditation Handbook; Appendix 2 – BCE Qualifications Framework; Computing Qualifications and Units Credits section]

#### 4.1.2 Business Qualifications Guided Learning Hours and Credit Framework Level/Value

[see Accreditation Handbook; Appendix 2 – BCE Qualifications Framework; Business Qualifications and Units Credits section]

4.1.3 **Hospitality Qualifications Guided Learning Hours and Credit Framework Level/Value**  
[see Accreditation Handbook; Appendix 2 – BCE Qualifications Framework; Hospitality Qualifications and Units Credits section]

4.2 **Rules of Combination**

The Rules of Combination sets out the requirements for the full achievement of a BCE qualification.

- Level 3 *all units are mandatory*
- Level 4 *all units are mandatory*
- Level 5 *all units are mandatory*
- Level 6 *all units are mandatory*

4.3 **BCE Grading System**

[see Accreditation Handbook; Section 5.5 – The Aggregation of Qualification Results]

4.4 **Relationship to National Occupational Standards (NOS)**

BCE has mapped units to National Occupational Standards where they exist. The qualifications have been linked to relative occupations and identified job descriptions, responsibilities and career options. The specification reflects the required entry level of and knowledge, ability, emphasis on learning, interpersonal and employability skills also have been reflected.