Course Description

Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma for Music Practitioners

This qualification is a Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma, which is the equivalent to one A level.

The course is made up of a series of different sized units, two of which are mandatory.

The mandatory units are:

MUSPRA 387E – Rehearsal Skills & Live Music Performance
MUSPRA 349 – Planning a Career in Music

Students are then encouraged to choose units that supplement their musical tastes, talent, curiosity and skill set. Optional units include:

Lead Performer, Session Musician, Music Improvisation, Improving Instrumental Performance, Composing for Film & Media, Practical Harmony Application, Live Sound Recording, Music Sequencing and Production, Studio Sound Recording, Remixing and Production and many more!

Assessment

MUSPRA 387E – Rehearsal Skills & Live Music Performance is an externally assessed unit.

MUSPRA 349 – Planning a Career in Music and all optional units are internally assessed units.

Grades available are Pass / Merit / Distinction / Distinction*

Additional information

This course will appeal to students who:
Enjoy performing music and want to develop their instrumental skill within a band or as a soloist.
Want to develop their instrumental skills.
Want to develop their understanding of music theory.
Want to develop a new skill in a particular field within the music industry.

Entry Criteria

GCSE Grade 5 or above in Music. Performance audition and music theory test will be used as a replacement for GCSE Music if not studied at GCSE.

Note we are awaiting funding re-approval for 2027 to be confirmed so final course TBC

Exam Board: RSL Awards
Specification link: https://www.rslawards.com/music-practitioners/

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