



**RICHARD
TAUNTON**
Sixth Form College



POPULAR MUSIC (DOUBLE AWARD)

THIS PRACTICAL AND CREATIVE COURSE WILL DEVELOP YOUR PERFORMING SKILLS AS A SOLOIST AND AS A MEMBER OF AN ENSEMBLE.

You will learn about how to begin your career as a professional musician, the history of rock and pop music, and will build on your notation, listening and composition skills. Additionally, you will take part in live performances both in and outside of college.

KEY TOPICS

- Learning and performing repertoire through the ages
- Composition
- Solo and ensemble performance
- Arts administration
- Learning about the Music Business
- Theory
- Additional solo performance skills.

ASSESSMENT

Three units have an externally assessed written exam as well as written coursework. Some tasks are assessed via video recorded presentations. Performance focussed units require both video recorded performances (solo and in groups) and related, assessed written coursework.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

At least five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English Language. All applicants are required to attend an audition.

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PROGRESSION POSSIBILITIES

UNIVERSITY COURSES: Popular Music, Music Production, Music Journalism, Music Business, Music Marketing & Communication.

CAREER OPTIONS: Freelance musician, show producer, musical director, venue manager, promoter.

SKILLS DEVELOPED

- Performance
- Writing music
- Essay writing
- Researching and taking notes
- Presenting.

TRIPS, ENRICHMENT & OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

- Take part in mentored rehearsal and recording sessions at Solent University
- Benefit from subsidised music lessons
- Join one of our music enrichment clubs.

QUALIFICATION

CTEC DIPLOMA

LEVEL

LEVEL 3

CURRENT EXAM BOARD

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STUDENT VIEW

“I chose to study Music at Richard Taunton because the staff were so enthusiastic and positive which has helped motivate me to work hard. I was also impressed with the facilities and the broad range of topics offered on the course.”

James Rider

Formerly of Testwood School

READY TO APPLY?

Visit our website and fill out an application form to secure your place.

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POPULAR MUSIC (SINGLE AWARD)

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KEY TOPICS

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- Composition
- Solo and ensemble performance
- Arts administration
- Learning about the Music Business.

ASSESSMENT

Two units are externally assessed, and two units are coursework based assessments.

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3 COURSES THAT WORK WELL WITH THIS SUBJECT

- Music Technology
- Musical Theatre
- Acting.

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