

Entry Requirements Supplementary Guidance

At Erasmus Darwin Academy we aim to admit students to courses that are appropriate and that will provide students with a reasonable chance of success. The entry requirement for our pathway one where students would study 3 A-Level subjects is to have an average attainment 8 score of 5.0.

The grade achieved in each subject is the point total used in the attainment 8 calculation. For BTEC courses please refer to the table below:

BTEC Level 2 Distinction*	Grade 8
BTEC Level 2 Distinction	Grade 7
BTEC Level 2 Merit	Grade 6
BTEC Level 2 Pass	Grade 5

To calculate the average points score:

- Assign each GCSE/Level 2 equivalent qualification a score from 1 to 9, based on the grade achieved
- Double the scores for English Language and Mathematics
- Add the scores for the best 6 other grades and
- Divide the total by ten

Sample Student Profiles

STUDENT 1	
GCSE English Language: 5	$5 \times 2 = 10$
GCSE English Literature: 5	5
GCSE Mathematics: 5	$5 \times 2 = 10$
GCSE Double Science: 55	$5 + 5 = 10$
GCSE French: 5	5
GCSE Philosophy & Ethics: 4 DISREGARD	DISREGARD (lowest)
GCSE Art: 5	5
BTEC L2 Performing Arts: Pass	5
	50 divide by 10 = 5.0 (giving a grade 5.0 as an average)

STUDENT 2	
GCSE English Language: 7	$7 \times 2 = 14$
GCSE English Literature: 9	9
GCSE Mathematics: 8	$8 \times 2 = 16$
GCSE Double Science: 77	$7 + 7 = 10$
GCSE French: 5 DISREGARD	DISREGARD (lowest)
GCSE Philosophy & Ethics: 6	6
GCSE History: 8	8
GCSE Geography: 6	6
	69 divide by 10 = 6.9 (giving a grade 6.9 as an average)

In addition to meeting our pathway entry requirements for some subjects there are subject specific entry criteria which can be found in the prospectus.