

# HNC Music Performance



## Course Overview

The BTEC Higher National Certificate (HNC) in Music Performance provides students with the practical, technical, and professional skills required to develop as confident and versatile performers.

As the first stage of a progressive vocational learning pathway, the HNC enables learners to develop subject-specific and transferable skills and prepares them for progression to the BTEC Higher National Diploma (HND) in Music Performance.

## What You Will Study

Students will develop their instrumental or vocal abilities while gaining experience in live performance, rehearsal practice, and performance technology. They will explore composition, songwriting, and arranging across multiple styles, and gain experience with music production and studio recording.

The programme also introduces professional practice within the music industry, supporting learners in developing employability skills, reflective practice, and a portfolio of performance work.

## Attendance Expectations

3 days per week.

## How You Will Be Assessed

Students are assessed using a mix of practical, theoretical, and professional tasks designed to reflect real-world music industry practices.

## Entry Requirements

Minimum 64 UCAS tariff points from A Levels

OR

Level 3 Diploma in a related subject

OR

Those with previous experience or learning that is relevant may be eligible via our Accredited Prior Learning (APL) process for accreditation towards this course.

### START DATE

September/October  
2026

### LEVEL

Level 4

### STUDY MODE

Full-time

### DURATION

1 year

### AWARDING BODY

Pearson

### LOCATION

Wakefield College



For further information about this course, including Entry Requirements, Assessments and Further Study, scan the QR code.

## Need More Information?

For additional course information please contact the Course Information Team on **01924 789111** or email [courseinfo@heartofyorkshire.ac.uk](mailto:courseinfo@heartofyorkshire.ac.uk).

To learn more about Wakefield College, our facilities and how we can support you please visit our website [www.heartofyorkshire.ac.uk](http://www.heartofyorkshire.ac.uk).

## Quick Links



**How to  
Apply**



**Student  
Support**



**Virtual  
Tours**

AND

All applicants must complete a satisfactory interview.

## Fee Information

£7,400.

## Further Study

Progression to HND Music Performance which is available at the University Centre at Wakefield College.