

WJEC Applied Level 3 UMS Grade Boundary and Unit information June 2024

Business

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- i) Achieve the total UMS required at the relevant grade for the qualification
- ii) Obtained at least the minimum UMS for the relevant external units

For the Level 3 Diploma, a Grade A* will be awarded to candidates who have achieved a Grade A (320 uniform marks) in the overall qualification and at least 90% of the total uniform marks for the two additional diploma units (units 3 and 5).

To achieve an (A*) A-E grade, learners must obtain:

- the minimum UMS mark for the qualification grade
- and**
- a minimum pass grade in **ALL** units.

Uniform marks correspond to unit grades as follows:

Unit weighting	Maximum Raw Mark	Maximum UMS Mark	A	B	C	D	E	N
Unit 1 (Externally Assessed) 25%	100	100	80	70	60	50	40	30
Unit 2 (Internally Assessed) 25%	72	100	80	70	60	50	40	
Unit 3 (Externally Assessed) 25%	100	100	80	70	60	50	40	30
Unit 5 (Internally Assessed) 25%	84	100	80	70	60	50	40	

	Maximum Uniform Marks	A	B	C	D	E
Level 3 Diploma	400	320	280	240	200	160

	Maximum Uniform Marks	A	B	C	D	E
Level 3 Certificate	200	160	140	120	100	80

Certificate in Business*

Assessment Grades

Assessment outcomes are reported on a five-point scale a-e.

Individual assessment outcomes are recorded on a uniform mark scale (UMS) with the following grade equivalences:

	Max	a	b	c	d	e
Business Skills and Functions	120	96	84	72	60	48
Business Creation	180	144	126	108	90	72

Qualification Grade

WJEC Applied Certificates are awarded on a five-point scale A-E.

The uniform marks obtained for each assessment are added up and the qualification grade is based on this total.

	Max	A	B	C	D	E
Certificate	300	240	210	180	150	120

Candidates who do not achieve the minimum uniform marks required to achieve an E will have their achievement recorded as U (unclassified) and will not receive a certificate.

***This qualification is not available to centres in England and Northern Ireland**

Criminology

A "near pass" rule has been introduced for all **external units**. A candidate will achieve a pass (or higher) grade if they meet the following two requirements:

- Achieve the total UMS required at the relevant grade for the qualification
- Obtained at least the minimum UMS for the relevant external units

For the Level 3 Applied Diploma, a Grade A* will be awarded to candidates who have achieved a Grade A (320 uniform marks) in the overall qualification and at least 90% of the total uniform marks for the two additional diploma units (units 3 and 4).

Uniform marks correspond to unit grades as follows:

Unit weighting	Maximum Raw Mark	Maximum UMS Mark	A	B	C	D	E	N
Unit 1 (Internally Assessed) 25% or 50% of Certificate	100	100	80	70	60	50	40	
Unit 2 (Externally Assessed) 25% or 50% of Certificate	75	100	80	70	60	50	40	30
Unit 3 (Internally Assessed) 25%	100	100	80	70	60	50	40	
Unit 4 (Externally Assessed) 25%	75	100	80	70	60	50	40	30

To achieve an A, B, C, D or E grade, learners must obtain:

- the minimum UMS mark for the qualification grade (see **Table: UMS and qualification grade**);
and
- a minimum of a pass grade in **all units**.

	Maximum Uniform Marks	A	B	C	D	E
Level 3 Applied Certificate	200	160	140	120	100	80
Level 3 Applied Diploma	400	320	280	240	200	160

Food Science and Nutrition

A 'near pass' rule has been introduced for all **external units**. A candidate will achieve a pass (or higher) grade for the qualification if they meet the following two requirements:

- i) Achieve the total UMS required at the relevant grade for the qualification
- ii) Obtained at least the minimum UMS for the relevant external units

Grades

An Award meeting is held each year to set the grade boundaries. An experienced awarding committee attend the Award meeting and refer to a range of information to set grade boundaries for each unit. Further details of grade descriptors can be found in section 4.3. Once grade boundaries have been set by WJEC, learner marks are then converted to UMS marks.

The UMS/grade equivalences for the Level 3 Diploma in Food Science and Nutrition units are:

Unit Number	Unit Title	Assessment	Total UMS mark	UMS grade boundaries			
				D	M	P	N
1	Meeting Nutritional Needs of Specific Groups	Internal	100	80	60	40	
		External	100	80	60	40	30
2	Ensuring Food is Safe to Eat	External	100	80	60	40	30
3	Experimenting to Solve Food Production Problems	Internal	100	80	60	40	
4	Current Issues in Food Science and Nutrition	Internal	100	80	60	40	

To achieve a Pass, Merit, Distinction or Distinction* grade, learners must obtain:

- the minimum UMS mark for the qualification grade

and

- a minimum of a pass grade in **ALL** units.

The grade equivalences for the Level 3 Diploma in Food Science and Nutrition qualification are:

Grade	Distinction*	Distinction	Merit	Pass	Max
UMS	360	320	240	160	400

The grade equivalences for the Level 3 Certificate in Food Science and Nutrition qualification are:

Grade	Distinction*	Distinction	Merit	Pass	Max
UMS	180	160	120	80	200

Health and Social Care**

A 'near pass' rule has been introduced for all **external units**. A candidate will achieve a pass (or higher) grade for the qualification if they meet the following two requirements:

- i) Achieve the total UMS required at the relevant grade for the qualification
- ii) Obtained at least the minimum UMS for the relevant external units

For the Level 3 Diploma, a grade A* will be awarded to candidates who have achieved a grade A (320 uniform marks) in the overall qualification and at least 90% of the total uniform marks for the additional diploma units (Units 3, 4 and 5).

To achieve an (A*) A - E grade, learners must obtain:

- the minimum UMS mark for the qualification grade

and

- pass **ALL** units.

Uniform marks correspond to unit grades as follows:

Unit	Unit weighting	Maximum Raw Mark	Maximum UMS Mark	A	B	C	D	E	N
Unit 1	25%	80	100	80	70	60	50	40	30
Unit 2	25%	102	100	80	70	60	50	40	
Unit 3*	25%	102	100	80	70	60	50	40	
Unit 4*	25%	102	100	80	70	60	50	40	
Unit 5	25%	75	100	80	70	60	50	40	30

	Maximum Uniform Marks	A	B	C	D	E
Level 3 Applied Certificate	200	160	140	120	100	80
Level 3 Applied Diploma	400	320	280	240	200	160

****This qualification is not available to Northern Ireland or maintained centres in Wales.**

Medical Science

A 'near pass' rule has been introduced for all **external units**. A candidate will achieve a pass (or higher) grade for the qualification if they meet the following two requirements:

- i) Achieve the total UMS required at the relevant grade for the qualification
- ii) Obtained at least the minimum UMS for the relevant external units

Individual unit results are reported on a uniform mark scale (UMS). The grade equivalences for the Level 3 Applied Diploma in Medical Science are given in the following tables.

Unit	Assessment type	Raw Mark	weighting %	UMS mark	UMS grade boundaries					N
					A	B	C	D	E	
1	External	90	25	240	192	168	144	120	96	72
2	Internal	80	12.5	120	96	84	72	60	48	
3	Internal	92	12.5	120	96	84	72	60	48	
4	Internal	100	25	240	192	168	144	120	96	
5	External	80	12.5	120	96	84	72	60	48	36
6	External	75	12.5	120	96	84	72	60	48	36

To achieve an A, B, C, D or E grade, learners must obtain:

- the minimum UMS mark for the qualification grade (see **Table: UMS and qualification grade**);
- and**
- a pass in **all units**.

To achieve an A* grade, learners must obtain:

- the minimum UMS mark for the qualification grade (see **Table: UMS and qualification grade**);
- a minimum of an E grade in **all units**.
- and**
- 90% of the UMS marks available on units 4, 5, and 6.

Table: UMS and qualification grade

Grade	A*	A	B	C	D	E	Max. Mark
Mark	864	768	672	576	480	384	960

Individual unit results are reported on a uniform mark scale (UMS). The grade equivalences for the Level 3 Applied Certificate in Medical Science are given in the following table.

Unit	Assessment type	Raw Mark	weighting %	UMS mark	UMS grade boundaries					
					A	B	C	D	E	N
1	External	90	50	240	192	168	144	120	96	72
2	Internal	80	25	120	96	84	72	60	48	
3	Internal	92	25	120	96	84	72	60	48	

The Level 3 Applied Certificate in Medical Science qualification is reported on a five point scale: E, D, C, B, & A. The attainment of learners who do not reach the minimum standard for an E grade will receive a U (unclassified) grade and will not receive a qualification certificate.

To achieve an A, B, C, D or E grade, learners must obtain:

- the minimum UMS mark for the qualification grade (see **Table: UMS and qualification grade**);
- and**
- a minimum of a pass grade in **all units**.

Table: UMS and qualification grade

Grade	A	B	C	D	E	Max. Mark
Mark	384	336	288	240	192	480

Units are common to the WJEC Diploma in Medical Science.

Professional Construction Practice

A "near pass" rule has been introduced for all **external units**. A candidate will achieve a pass (or higher) grade if they meet the following two requirements:

- i) Achieve the total UMS required at the relevant grade for the qualification
- ii) Obtained at least the minimum UMS for the relevant external units

Uniform marks correspond to unit grades as follows:

Unit weighting	Maximum Raw Mark	Maximum UMS Mark	A	B	C	D	E	N
Unit 1 (Internally assessed) 20%	128	80	64	56	48	40	32	
Unit 2 (Externally assessed) 20%	80	80	64	56	48	40	32	24
Unit 3 (Externally assessed) 20%	80	80	64	56	48	40	32	24
Unit 4 (Internally assessed) 40%	112	160	128	112	96	80	64	

To achieve an A, B, C, D or E grade, learners must obtain:

- the minimum UMS mark for the qualification grade (see **Table: UMS and qualification grade**);

and

- a minimum of a pass grade in **all units**.

For the Level 3 Diploma, a Grade A* will be awarded to candidates who have achieved a Grade A (320 uniform marks) in the overall qualification and at least 90% of the total uniform marks for Unit 4.

	Maximum Uniform Marks	A	B	C	D	E
Level 3 Applied Diploma	400	320	280	240	200	160

Certificate in Sport (first award June 2024)*

Unit Grades

Units are awarded on a five-point scale a-e.

Individual units are recorded on a uniform mark scale (UMS) with the following grade equivalences:

	Max	a	b	c	d	e
Unit 1	96	77	67	58	48	38
Unit 3	144	115	101	86	72	58
Unit 4	144	115	101	86	72	58
Unit 5	144	115	101	86	72	58
Unit 6	144	115	101	86	72	58
Unit 7	144	115	101	86	72	58
Unit 8	144	115	101	86	72	58
Unit 9	144	115	101	86	72	58

To achieve the qualification, learners must complete one mandatory unit (Unit 1) plus one optional unit (1 from Units 3-9).

Qualification grades

Qualification grades will be based on the overall UMS mark and learner achievements in all units. To achieve a qualification grade, learners must achieve the minimum UMS required for the qualification grade.

Results not attaining the minimum standard for the award will be reported as U (unclassified).

The Level 3 Applied Certificate in Sport is graded as A-E.

Uniform marks correspond to qualification grades as follows:

Max	A	B	C	D	E
240	192	168	144	120	96

*This qualification is not available to centres in England and Northern Ireland

Tourism

A 'near pass' rule has been introduced for all **external units**. A candidate will achieve a pass (or higher) grade for the qualification if they meet the following two requirements:

- i) Achieve the total UMS required at the relevant grade for the qualification
- ii) Obtained at least the minimum UMS for the relevant external units

For the Level 3 Diploma, a Grade A* will be awarded to candidates who have achieved a Grade A (320 uniform marks) in the overall qualification and at least 90% of the total uniform marks for the two additional diploma units (Units 3 and 4).

To achieve an (A*) A-E grade, learners must obtain:

- the minimum UMS mark for the qualification grade

and

- pass **ALL** units.

Uniform marks correspond to unit grades as follows:

Unit weighting	Maximum Raw Mark	Maximum UMS Mark	A	B	C	D	E	N
Unit 1 (Externally assessed) 25%	75	100	80	70	60	50	40	30
Unit 2 (Internally assessed) 25%	100	100	80	70	60	50	40	
Unit 3 (Externally assessed) 25%	75	100	80	70	60	50	40	30
Unit 4 (Internally assessed) 25%	100	100	80	70	60	50	40	

	Maximum Uniform Marks	A	B	C	D	E
Level 3 Applied Certificate	200	160	140	120	100	80
Level 3 Applied Diploma	400	320	280	240	200	160

Certificate in Tourism (first award June 2024)*

Unit Grades

Units within WJEC Applied Certificates are awarded on a five-point scale a-e.

Individual units are recorded on a uniform mark scale (UMS) with the following grade equivalences:

	Max	a	b	c	d	e
Unit 1	120	96	84	72	60	48
Unit 2						
Unit 3	90	72	63	54	45	36
Unit 4	90	72	63	54	45	36
Unit 5	90	72	63	54	45	36
Unit 6	90	72	63	54	45	36
Unit 7	90	72	63	54	45	36
Unit 8	90	72	63	54	45	36

To achieve the qualification, learners must complete one mandatory unit (Unit 1) plus two optional units (2 units from Units 3-8).

Qualification Grade

WJEC Applied Certificates are awarded on a five-point scale A-E.

The uniform marks obtained for each unit are added up and the qualification grade is based on this total.

Max	A	B	C	D	E
300	240	210	180	150	120

Candidates who do not achieve the minimum uniform marks required to achieve an E will have their achievement recorded as U (unclassified) and will not receive a certificate.

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