## **EDEXCEL BTEC MEDIA Key Stage 4 Curriculum Map (B-TEC – Media)**

## Year 10

Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Components 1: covered:Exploring Media Products	Components 1: covered:Exploring Media Products	Components 1: covered:Exploring Media Products	Component 2 :Developing Digital Media Production Skills  Learning outcome A: Develop and apply media pre-production processes, skills and techniques	Component 2 :Developing Digital Media Production Skills	Component 2 :Developing Digital Media Production Skills
Sub-Topics:  A: Investigate media products  A1 Media products, audiences and purpose	Sub-Topics:  B: Explore how media products are created to provide meaning and engage audiences  B1 Genre, narrative and representation	Sub-Topics:  B2 Media production techniques	Sub-Topics: A1 Media pre- production processes and practices B2 Media production skills and techniques	Sub-Topics: B3 Media post-production skills and techniques	Sub-Topics: B3 Media post-production skills and techniques
Assessment: Internal – externally moderated	Assessment: Internal – externally moderated	Assessment: Internal – externally moderated	Assessment: Internal – externally moderated	Assessment: Internal – externally moderated	Assessment: Internal  – externally moderated

Builds upon: Media codes used to convey meaning, create impact and engage audiences	Builds upon: A: Investigate media products A1 Media products, audiences and purpose	Build upon: A: Investigate media products A1 Media products, audiences and purpose	Builds upon:  Managing the production process  Apply media production skills and techniques to the creation of a media product	Builds upon:  Production skills and techniques  Combining and refining content	Builds upon:  Production skills and techniques  Combining and refining content
Introduces:	Introduces:	Introduces:	Introduces:	Introduces:	Introduces:
Learners will develop their understanding of the relationship between media products, their audiences and purposes.  Learners must explore media products from each of the three sectors: audio/moving image, print and interactive.  Researching media products and practice, to include: o primary sources, e.g. observations, discussions, interviews conducted by learners, surveys  o secondary sources, e.g. internet, film, television, magazines.	Learners will develop their understanding of how media products combine genre, narrative and representation to create meaning for audiences.  Genre, to include:  o identification of generic characteristics, e.g. iconography of film genres, conventions of national newspapers, components of a web page  o how genres change over time, e.g. development of sub-genres, hybrids, subverting generic conventions  o repetition and difference, e.g. the extent to which a TV	Learners will deconstruct media products to examine how media production techniques are combined in media products to create specific effects and engage audiences.  Learners may focus on techniques from one sector or combine techniques from across sectors.  • Audio/moving image media products: o camerawork, e.g. set-up, framing, shot type/length, angle, movement o mise en scène, e.g. sets, props, lighting, costume, blocking, production design  o use of sound, e.g. diegetic, and non-diegetic,	B1 Media production and post-production processes and practices Learners will develop understanding of media production and post-production processes and practices relevant to the media sector.  • Production and post-production processes and practices, such as:  o production workflow, e.g. identifying and ordering tasks, setting deadlines, monitoring progress, managing resources  o preparing assets, e.g. create, select, review, recreate	. o recording audio in a studio and on location, e.g. acoustics, noise reduction techniques, adjusting and monitoring recording levels  o setting up microphones, e.g. microphone type, placement  o creating audio, e.g. ambient, foley sound, sound effects, voiceover.  • Skills for the print sector relevant to the production, such as:  o writing and editing copy, e.g. mode of address, persuasive devices, accuracy, reliability, proofreading	Learners will develop practical skills and techniques for editing, combing and refining content relevant to the media sector.  Skills for the audio/moving image sector relevant to the production, such as:  o editing audio, e.g. importing audio, multitrack editing, match volume, playback levels, volume, pan and balance, normalisation o editing video, e.g. importing assets, editing sequences, rough cuts, synchronising audio and video, rendering and previewing, cutaways, shot reverse shot, eyeline match  o motion graphics, e.g. graphics, titles, animation and keyframes

- Media research techniques, to include:
- o textual analysis, e.g. denotation and connotation, encoding, anchorage, polysemy
- o personal response, e.g. interpretation, identification
- o practical experimentation, e.g. sketches, plans, practical skills exercises
- o recording research outcomes, e.g. note taking, audio-visual recordings, screen recordings, research logs.
- Contemporary (post-2000) and historical (pre-2000) media products, to include: o audio/moving image products, e.g. TV programmes, films, music videos, animations, advertisements, radio broadcasts, podcasts o print products.
- e.g. newspapers, magazines, comics, brochures, advertisements
- o interactive media products, e.g. websites, mobile apps, interactive magazines, mobile games, video games, online games, advertisements.
- Context of production, to include:

- programme, magazine or website conforms to generic codes and conventions and introduces elements of originality.
- Narrative. to include:
- o storytelling, e.g. story and plot in a film, inverted pyramid in a newspaper article, visual representations to reinforce the text on an app
- o narrative structures, e.g. linear, non-linear, circular, interactive, open/closed, single/multi-strand o point of view (POV), e.g. third-person narrator in a radio documentary, editorial in a newspaper, first-person shooter computer game
- o characterisation, e.g. character functions in film, print advertisements, computer games
- o themes, e.g. dystopia in science fiction films, identity in music magazines, apocalypse in zombie games o setting, e.g. location in a film, photographs in a magazine, open-world diegesis of a computer game o mode of address, e.g. formal style of TV news, the direct address of a magazine cover, the informal address of a computer game.

- sound effects, voiceovers, dialogue, music, sound bridges, audio beds, aural motifs, ambient sound, silence
- o editing techniques, e.g. continuity, montage, flashbacks, transitions, synchronising, pace, rhythm, flow, tone, balance
- o effects, e.g. audio effects, visual effects, motion graphics.
- o managing assets, e.g. setting up folder structures, selecting file formats, using appropriate file names o experimenting with different techniques, e.g. design iterations, rough edits, mock ups, prototyping
- o exporting for digital distribution, e.g. applying compression techniques, export settings, file formats B2 Media production skills and techniques Learners will develop practical skills and techniques for creating content relevant to the media sector.
- Skills for the audio/moving image sector relevant to the production, such as: o shooting video in different locations, e.g. interior, exterior, transport
- o shot composition, e.g. shot type, framing, angle, focus
- o camera movement techniques, e.g. slow pan, whip pan, tilt, zoom, dolly, crane, steadicam, handheld, combining camera movements
- o lighting techniques, e.g. three-point lighting, soft lighting, hard lighting, natural lighting

- o taking photographs, e.g. composition, angle, lighting, depth of field o image editing, e.g. cropping, scaling and resizing images
- o image manipulation techniques, e.g. layers, selections, image adjustments, transformations, filters, effects
- o creating graphics, e.g. drawing tools, lines, shapes, paths, text, colour, transforming objects, effects
- Skills for the interactive sector relevant to the production, such as:
- o creating vector graphics, e.g. buttons, icons, logos
- o creating 2D assets, e.g. character sprites, environments and terrain, GUI
- o creating 3D assets, e.g. models, objects, textures
- o taking photographs, e.g. composition, angle, lighting, depth of field
- o image editing, e.g. cropping, scaling and resizing images
- o image manipulation techniques, e.g. layers, selections, image adjustments, transformations, filters, effects.

- o adding audio and video transitions, e.g. fade, crossfade, dissolve, wipe o audio effects, e.g. fade and gain, compression, amplitude, modulation, delay, equalisation, reverb, noise reduction
- o visual effects, e.g. colour correction, distortion, adjustments, masking, keying, time effects, transform effects.
- Skills for the interactive sector relevant to the production, such as:
- Skills for the interactive sector relevant to the production, such as:
- o using web design software, e.g. setting up a site, page layouts, styling objects, HTML tables to present information, use of colour, adding page content, navigation, links, interactivity, forms. coding
- o creating digital publications, e.g. animation, hyperlinks, forms, movies, sound clips, buttons, page transitions
- o designing user interfaces, e.g. importing assets, align and arrange objects, design buttons, drop-downs, tool tips, modal dialogs

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o media producer, e.g. media conglomerate, public service broadcaster, independent media	Representation of people, places, issues and events, to include:	o production design, e.g. set, props, colour, costume, blocking		o using game engines, e.g. importing assets, level maps, lighting, sound o adding interactivity in
producer, community media organisation	o audience positioning and			games, e.g. scripts, triggers, buttons, actions, colliders, pickups.
o purposes of media products,	perspective			рюкира.
e.g. to entertain, inform, educate, persuade, inspire, challenge	o audience identification			Developing techniques to monitor and improve skills
o motivations of the media	o use of stereotyping			and outcomes throughout the production process.
producer, e.g. generate profit, raise awareness, benefit a community, self-expression,	o positive and negative representations.			
innovation, experimentation, public service responsibilities				
o aims of the producer, e.g. to create media products that are				
high quality, distinctive, accessible, diverse, inclusive,				
impartial.				
Audience interpretation, to include:				
o defining primary and				
secondary audiences, e.g.				
gender, age, socio-economic groupings, lifestyle profiles o				
audience statistics, e.g. box office figures, circulation, sales,				
hits, subscriptions, followers				
o situation, e.g. the effect of				
where, when and with whom the				
audience engages with a media product o audience involvement,				
e.g. using interactive features,				
online voting,consumer- generated content, passive				

audiences o audience responses, e.g. preferred, negotiated and oppositional readings			
o audience uses and gratifications, e.g. information, entertainment, escapism, personal identity, social interaction.			

## Year 11

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Component 2 :Developing Digital Media Production Skills	Component 2 :Developing Digital Media Production Skills	Components 3: Create a Media Product in Response to a Brief	Components 3: covered:Creative iMedia in the media industry	Components 3: Create a Media Product in Response to a Brief	
Sub-Topics: B3 Media post-production skills and techniques	Sub-Topics: B3 Media post-production skills and techniques	Sub-Topics:  A1 Understand how to develop ideas in response to a brief A1 Responding to a brief  A2 Generating ideas  B Develop planning materials in response to a brief B1 Planning materials	Sub-Topics:  B2 Managing the production process  C Apply media production skills and techniques to the creation of a media product  C1 Monitor and review the outcomes of the production process	Sub-Topics:  C2 Production skills and techniques  C3 Combining and refining content  C4 Testing and exporting for distribution	

Assessment: externally moderated  Builds upon:  Managing the production process  Applying media production skills and techniques to the creation of a media product	Assessment: externally moderated Builds upon: Production skills and techniques Combining and refining content	Assessment: External Synoptic External Synoptic Year 9 scheme of workNetwork and hardware	Assessment: External Synoptic Builds upon:  Year 9 scheme of work Network and hardware build a gaming lab	Assessment: External Synoptic Builds upon: Year 9 scheme of work Network and hardware	
Introduces:  • Skills for the print sector relevant to the production, such as:  creating page layouts, e.g. pages and spreads, grids, rulers and guidelines, text frames, linking text in columns, text wrap, paths and frames, aligning objects, tables of information  creating visual impact, e.g. creating a visual hierarchy, masthead, cover lines, headlines, subheadings, pull quotes, running heads, using white space	Neviewing content, e.g. the amount, quality, relevance, accuracy.  Testing and reviewing practical outcomes, e.g. functionality, consistency, continuity, communication, accessibility.  On-going review used to inform decisions and refine work:  o application of skills and techniques	Introduces:  A1  Establishing the requirements of the brief, such as:  o the client, e.g. the type of company or organisation that has set the brief, their market or field, and their competitors  o the aim or purpose of the brief o technical requirements, e.g. product type, size, duration, format.  • Defining the target	Introduces:  Learners will need to manage the following aspects of the production process.  • Time management, such as: o schedules, e.g. maintain production schedules of tasks and deadlines o contingency planning.  • Copyright, clearances and permissions, such as: o checking copyright status of	Introduces:  Learners will use relevant skills and techniques developed in Components 1 and 2 to prepare the content needed for the construction of their chosen media product.  • Capturing footage and audio, such as:  o equipment, e.g. cameras, tripods, lights, microphones, portable audio digital recorders, microphone	

designing print products, e.g. typography, use of colour, paragraph and character styles, object styles, drop caps, effects  o editing text, e.g. readability, editing to fit available space, adding suitable captions.  o respond to audience/user feedback  o identify strengths and areas for development  o identify strengths and areas for development  o identify strengths and areas for development  o lifestyle, attitude, values, interests, behaviour, personality.  Researching similar existing products to understand the marketplace/competition,  o respond to audience/user feedback  o age, gender, location, income level  Commons, royalty free (RF), public domain (expired copyright), obtaining permission to use copyrighted assets or material o clearances to use locations, participants for public screening/viewing.  o techniques, e.g. camerawork, framing, shot type and length, angle, movement, checking sound levels, sound capture.  • Creating images and assets, such as:	
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unconventional their media product within image editing and	
their chosen sector through manipulation tools and	
o textual analysis of the selection and use of packages game authoring	
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content analysis to establish the contents, order and	
sequencing. needs. o techniques, e.g.	
composition, cropping,	
• Exploring the chosen C1 Learners will need to resizing, image adjustments,	
media sector to support the continually reflect on the image manipulation, image	
generation of ideas, such as: progress of their media quality, preparing assets.	
product as they engage in	
o audience responses to the different stages of the mode products simple at the	
ineula products aimed at the production process.	
same target audience equipment and software: word processing o	
Monitoring outcomes to	
o current trends in the chosen media sector.	
potential areas for statistics, check sources,	
• Theme of the brief: improvement organisation of content and	
ideas, short paragraphs,	
o secondary research into  • Making refinements to the repetition, proofreading.	
the topic or theme of the media product to improve the	
brief. outcome. • Sourcing content from	
secondary sources, such as:	
A2 Learners will need to o compatibility, e.g. file size,	
consider different ideas and file format	
for their product, its	
content and style, in	

order to develop a coherent product proposal.

Product, such as:

o audio/moving image, e.g. podcast, radio broadcast, audio guide, news or feature package, advertisement, trailer, viral video, promotional video, short film, animation

o print, e.g. magazine, brochure, marketing material, newspaper, advertorial, leaflet o interactive, e.g. game demo, website, app, interactive magazine, HTML newsletter.

• Content, such as: o structure, e.g. storyline, narrative, running order, pages, screens, levels

o breakdown, e.g. characters, articles, features, rules

• Style and design, such as: o style, e.g. mise en scène, tone, mode of address, house style

design, e.g. locations, atmospheric and ambient sound, game environment.

Idea selection: o retain, reject, combine and refine ideas to form a chosen idea for a media product. o assessing quality, suitability and fitness for purpose.

C3 Combining and refining content Learners will need to edit their content together to create a finished product for presentation to the client.

Editing audio and moving image, such as:

software, e.g. digital video editing, digital audio editing o techniques, e.g. continuity editing, non-continuity editing, transitions, audio mixing, audio and visual effects, titles and credits, sound beds

stylistic codes, e.g. camera framing, angle, movement, mise en scène, lighting, editing and sound.

• Combining assets for the page and screen, such as:

software, e.g. graphics or image manipulation, desktop publishing

techniques, e.g. alignment, formatting text and images, use of colour

B1 Planning materials Learners need to produce stylistic codes, e.g. layout sector-specific planning and design principles, materials that are sufficiently typography, image editing. detailed to enable the client to visualise the proposed product. Adding interactivity, such as: o software, e.g. web design, Storyboarding for moving games authoring, app image, such as: development conventions, e.g. types of techniques, e.g. shot, shot composition, incorporating interactive framing, camera movement, objects and features, transitions, shot duration, navigation, controls dialogue, soundtrack stylistic codes, e.g. interactivity, user interface, usability/playability, mise en storytelling, e.g. staging, continuity, direction notes. scène, gaming environments, lighting and sound. Writing a script for audio/moving image, such as: o conventions, e.g. title page, description of action, C4 Testing and exporting for dialogue, timings, script distribution Learners will outline need to test their media product to ensure it functions as intended and save it in an audio elements, e.g. music, appropriate file format for sound effects, jingles, distribution. interviews, vox pop, music bed, speech • Testing: usability testing, functionality testing. • Compressing: rendering storytelling, e.g. sequences, audio and video, file scenes, use of language, directions, narration. optimisation. Page layout and design for • Exporting in appropriate file print, such as: formats for the chosen distribution platform. C5

conventions, e.g. thumbnails,	Technical records Learners	
sketches	will need to produce technical	
	records that outlines how	
positioning, e.g. assets,	they have created key	
features, content, columns,		
white space o design, e.g.	aspects of their work.	
consistency, colours, fonts,		
styles, effects.	<ul> <li>Use of software and</li> </ul>	
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interactive, such as:	<ul> <li>Creation and manipulation</li> </ul>	
	of assets.	
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sound, rules.		