


**CAMBRIDGE NATIONAL CERTIFICATE IN SPORTS STUDIES**
**INTRODUCTION**

Over the past five years, the business of sport has become a £20bn-a-year industry in the UK, supporting some 450,000 jobs. Fortunately for sport, business came to the rescue, identifying opportunities, creating markets and sparking unprecedented investment in the games that Britain and the world has traditionally loved to play. Sport is also growing rapidly in the education sector. The growth of sport as an industry in the UK has also seen a rising tide of well-qualified graduates leaving university with hopes of building a career around this fast growing business.

Sport Studies takes a sector-based focus, whilst also encompassing some core sport/physical education themes. Students have the opportunity to apply theoretical knowledge about different types of sport and physical activity, skills development and sports leadership to their own practical performance. They will learn about contemporary issues in sport such as funding, participation, ethics and role models, and sport and the media. Students will develop an appreciation of the importance of sport locally and nationally, different ways of being involved in sport and of how this shapes the sports industry.

**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- 5 GCSEs at a minimum grade of an E, or 3, or equivalent.

**GRADING**

All four units are equally weighted. The qualification will be graded with a Pass, Merit or Distinction. If the student's overall grade does not meet level 2 standard, he/she could still be awarded a level 1 certificate.

**COURSE STRUCTURE & CONTENT**

To achieve the Level 2 Certificate, students must complete two mandatory units and two optional units:

UNIT NO.	UNIT TITLE	ASSESSMENT
R051	Contemporary issues in Sports	Mandatory: 1hr Written Paper
R052	Developing Sports Skills	Mandatory: Centre Assessed tasks
R053	Sports Leadership	<i>Optional: Centre assessed tasks</i>
R054	Sport and the media	<i>Optional: Centre assessed tasks</i>

**PROGRESSION**

Successful completion of the Level 2 certificate, offers candidates several routes for progression:

- further learning opportunities within employment
- progression to level 3

*Please be advised that these may be subject to change.*