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Direct Entry and Exemptions

2022 - 2023

**Direct entry to and exemptions from the following
NCC Education qualifications and units:**

**Level 3 International Foundation Diploma for Higher Education Studies (L3IFDHES)
Level 3 Diploma in Business (L3DB)
Level 4 Diploma in Computing (L4DC) Level 4 Diploma in Computing (with Business Management) (L4DC BM)
Level 5 Diploma in Computing (L5DC) Level 5 Diploma in Computing (with Business Management) (L5DC BM) Level 5 Diploma in Computing (with Cyber Security) (L5DC CS)
Level 6 BSc (Hons) Business Computing and Information Systems
Level 6 BSc (Hons) Cyber Security and Networking
Level 7 Diploma in Strategic Computing with Business Management (L7DSBIT)**

**Level 4 Diploma in Business (L4DB)
Level 5 Diploma in Business (L5DB)
Level 6 BA (Hons) Business Administration
Level 7 Diploma in Business Management (L7DBM)**

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1 Approved Qualifications Procedure

NCC Education allows direct entry to qualifications where a candidate has previously satisfied the relevant entry requirements. This document contains a detailed list of those qualifications which have been pre-approved to offer direct entry onto an NCC Education programme.

2 NCC Education Exemptions Procedure

NCC Education allows exemptions for certain qualifications, up to a maximum of 60 credits. Candidates should apply for exemptions BEFORE they are registered onto a unit. Requests for exemptions from units where assessment has already been sat and failed by the candidate will always be refused.

This Direct Entry and Exemptions document contains a detailed list of the qualifications and units for which exemptions are granted, and the corresponding exemptions permitted.

2.1 Applying for Credit Exemptions for a Qualification which has been authorised by NCC Education

Centres should refer to this document for confirmation that the qualification is authorised for credit exemptions, and to which units the exemptions apply. Exemption requests will not be accepted directly from individual candidates.

The Centre should complete form **AQ_03_Exemption Claim Form** (available on NCC Education's website) and email the completed form to their regional Academic Development Manager, along with a copy of the original certificate awarded to the individual, as proof that he/she has achieved the qualification.

Centres should send only those certificates relevant to the exemption request. If the candidate is already registered with NCC Education, Centres should supply NCC Education with the candidate's NCC Education ID number in the relevant field of the Exemption Claim Form.

Upon receipt of the exemption request, NCC Education will confirm receipt by either acknowledging acceptance of the request or querying any matters until they are resolved. The credit exemption will then either be applied immediately or held in a pending file until NCC Education receives the registration through the online registration system.

No reduction in fees will be given should a candidate be granted a credit exemption.

2.2 Applying for Credit Exemption for a Qualification which has not been authorised by NCC Education

In this event, the Centre should complete form **AQ_04_Non-Standard Exemption - Direct Entry Route Request Form** (available on NCC Education's website), and send the completed form to their regional Academic Development Manager. The submitted form must be accompanied by supporting documentation containing full details of the qualification being considered for exemption, including:

- programme and/or unit learning outcomes

- syllabus or course outline
- statement of guided/non-guided learning hours
- sample assessment(s)
- statement of approval from local regulator or government
- a copy of the qualification certificate awarded to the candidate.

Once the application has been reviewed by NCC Education, the regional ADM will reply formally, either granting the exemption or refusing the request. An explanation will be provided, if desired, when a request is refused.

No reduction in fees will be given should a candidate be granted a credit exemption.

2.3 Applying for Direct Entry to an NCC Education programme

In the event that a candidate wishes to apply for direct entry onto an NCC Education programme, the Centre should complete form **AQ_04_New Exemption – Direct Entry Route Request Form** (available on NCC Education's website), and send the completed form to their regional Academic Development Manager.

In the event of the candidate holding a qualification listed below as approved to grant direct entry on to an NCC Education programme, the submitted form must be accompanied by a copy of the qualification certificate awarded to the candidate. In the event that the candidate holds a qualification which is not listed in this document, the submitted form must be accompanied by supporting documentation containing full details of the qualification to be considered for direct entry, including:

- programme and/or unit learning outcomes
- syllabus or course outline
- statement of guided/non-guided learning hours
- sample assessment(s)
- statement of approval from local regulator or government
- a copy of the qualification certificate awarded to the candidate.

Once the application has been reviewed by NCC Education, the regional ADM will reply formally, either granting the direct entry onto the programme requested, or refusing the request. An explanation will be provided, if desired, when a request is refused.

3 NCC EDUCATION LEVEL 3 INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION DIPLOMA FOR HIGHER EDUCATION STUDIES (RQF) (L3IFDHES) and NCC EDUCATION LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA IN BUSINESS (RQF) (L3DB)

3.1 Exemptions from NCC Education L3IFDHES units

3.1.1 Exemption Policy

Note: The maximum exemptions granted to an individual candidate shall not exceed 50% of the programme credit total, or 60 credits.

Awarding Body	Qualification	NCC Education Units Exempted	Credit Value	Notes
The Association of International English Language Testing Systems (IELTS)	IELTS Academic	Developing English Language Skills (DELS)	30	The minimum overall IELTS score required to be exempted from DELS is 5.5. No minimum component scores are required for this exemption to be granted
Cambridge Assessment	Cambridge English Advanced (CAE): FCE Level B2	Developing English Language Skills (DELS)	30	Candidates who have secured scores of 160 to 179 on C1 Advanced are placed at Level B2 and may be expected to be comparable to candidates who have secured 5.5 or 6.0 in IELTS.
Cambridge International GCSE	English Language	Developing English Language Skills (DELS)	30	Cambridge International GCSE, English as First Language C = IELTS 6.0

Cambridge International GCSE	English Language	Developing English Language Skills (DELS)	30	Cambridge International GCSE, English as Second Language B = IELTS 6.0
DuoLingo	Duolingo English Test	Developing English Language Skills (DELS)	30	Duolingo 75-80 = IELTS 5 Duolingo 85-90 = IELTS 5.5
ETS	TOEFL iBT	Developing English Language Skills (DELS)	30	Reading TOEFL 4-7 = IELTS 5 Speaking TOEFL 14-15 = IELTS 5 Listening TOEFL 4-6 = IELTS 5 Writing TOEFL 14-17 = IELTS 5 Overall TOEFL 35-45 = IELTS 5 Overall TOEFL 46-59 = IELTS 5.5
National Secondary Education Certificate Exams in Malta.	SEC – Secondary Education Certificate	Developing English Language Skills (DELS)	30	Candidates who score a 5 in the English Language component can be exempted from DELS as this is equivalent to IELTS 6 which is more than enough for the exemption.
Kolej ASA	Certificate of Business Management	Foundation Mathematics Introduction to Business Introduction to Accounting and Economics	10 10 10	Approved July 2022

LanguageCert International	ESOL Exam SELT B2 Communicator	Developing English Language Skills (DELS)	30	25-32 = IETLS 5.5 33-37 = IETLS 6.0 38-50 = IETLS 6.5 Pass = IELTS 5.5 High Pass = IELTS 6.0																		
PSI and SQA	Skills for English:SELT	Developing English Language Skills (DELS)	30	Exam Level B2 = IELTS Level 5.5 to 6.5 C1 = IELTS 6.5 to 8.0 C2 = IELTS 8.0 to 9.0																		
Pearsons	Pearsons Test of English Academic (PTE)	Developing English Language Skills (DELS)	30	Convert IELTS Overall Bandscore to PTE-A score <table><tr><th>IELTS</th><th>5</th><th>5.5</th><th>6</th><th>6.5</th><th>7</th><th>7.5</th><th>8</th><th>8.5</th></tr><tr><td>PTE-A</td><td>40.8</td><td>45.4</td><td>51.6</td><td>58.5</td><td>66.3</td><td>74.6</td><td>82.3</td><td>88.1</td></tr></table>	IELTS	5	5.5	6	6.5	7	7.5	8	8.5	PTE-A	40.8	45.4	51.6	58.5	66.3	74.6	82.3	88.1
IELTS	5	5.5	6	6.5	7	7.5	8	8.5														
PTE-A	40.8	45.4	51.6	58.5	66.3	74.6	82.3	88.1														
Qualifi	Level 3 Diploma in Introduction to Management (L3DIM)	Introduction to Business (ITB)	10																			
Qualifi	Level 3 Diploma in Business Management (L3DBM)	Introduction to Business (ITB)	10																			
Educare Global Academy	Foundation Course in Management			Candidates can be exempted 4 of the following: a)Foundation Maths b) Study and Communication Skills c) Introduction to Business d) Culture Studies e)ITAE **To be awarded the NCC L3IFDHES Diploma certificate, students from the Foundation in Management will be required to take DELS, AELS, EAP and another 1 unit from the list of exempted units.																		

3.2 Exemptions from NCC Education L3DB units

Note: The maximum exemptions granted to an individual candidate shall not exceed 50% of the programme credit total, or 60 credits.

Awarding Body	Qualification	NCC Education Units Exempted	Credit Value	Notes
Qualifi	Level 3 Diploma in Introduction to Management (L3DIM)	Introduction to Business (ITB)	10	
Qualifi	Level 3 Diploma in Business Management (L3DBM)	Introduction to Business (ITB)	10	

3.2.1 Exemption Policy

Note: The maximum exemptions granted to an individual candidate shall not exceed 50% of the programme credit total, or 30 credits.

4 NCC EDUCATION LEVEL 4 DIPLOMA IN COMPUTING (RQF) (L4DC) and NCC EDUCATION LEVEL 4 DIPLOMA IN COMPUTING WITH BUSINESS MANAGEMENT (RQF) (L4DBM)

4.1 Direct Entry onto NCC Education L4DC Qualification

Holders of the following qualifications may directly enter the NCC Education Level 4 Diploma in Computing	
Awarding Body/Organisation	Title of Qualification
Association of Computer Professionals (ACP)	Certificate in Information Technology and Programming
Aptech Computer Education	Diploma in Computer Applications
	Diploma in Management Information Systems
British Computer Society (BCS)	Certificate in IT
City and Guilds	Level 3 Diploma In ICT Professional Competence
	Level 3 Diploma In ICT Systems and Principles for IT Professionals
Education Development International (EDI)	LCCI ¹ International Qualifications: Level 3 Certificate in eCommerce
	LCCI International Qualifications: Level 3 Certificate in Practical ICT Skills
	Level 3 Diploma In ICT Professional Competence (PROCOM)
Institute for the Management of Information Systems (IMIS)	Foundation Diploma
Malta College of Arts, Science and Technology (MCAST)	MCAST-BTEC Diploma in IT (Level 3)
Oxford Cambridge and RSA Examinations (OCR)	Level 3 Diploma In ICT Professional Competence (PROCOM)
University of Humanities, Mongolia	L3IFD plus NCC Education L3IFD Foundation Mathematics or equivalent
Pearson International Limited (Edexcel)	Level 3 Diploma In ICT Professional Competence
	BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Communication Technology Skills, ICT Systems and Principles, in IT
	BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Professional Competence for IT and Telecoms Professionals
OTHM	Level 3, Foundation Diploma in Higher Education Studies

Other Computing awards listed on the Regulated Qualifications Framework (RQF) in England which amount to 120 credits at Level 3 or above will normally be considered as appropriate Direct Entry qualifications, subject to confirmation with NCC Education.

¹ Previously awarded by the London Chamber of Commerce International Examinations Board (LCCIEB)

4.2 Direct Entry onto NCC Education L4DCBM Qualification

Holders of the following qualifications may directly enter the NCC Education Level 4 Diploma in Computing with Business Management	
Awarding Body/Organisation	Title of Qualification
Association of Business Executives (ABE)	Level 4 Diploma in Business Management
Aptech Computer Education	Diploma in Management Information Systems
Aptech Computer Education	Advanced Diploma in Software Engineering (OV-6666 Route 2; OV- 6665)
British Computer Society (BCS)	Certificate in IT
City and Guilds	Level 3 Diploma In ICT Professional Competence
	Level 3 Diploma In ICT Systems and Principles for IT Professionals
Education Development International (EDI)	LCCI International Qualifications: Level 3 Certificate in eCommerce
	LCCI International Qualifications: Level 3 Certificate in Practical ICT Skills
	Level 3 Diploma In ICT Professional Competence (PROCOM)
Institute for the Management of Information Systems (IMIS)	Foundation Diploma
Malta College of Arts, Science and Technology (MCAST)	MCAST-BTEC Diploma in IT (Level 3)
Oxford Cambridge and RSA Examinations (OCR)	Level 3 Diploma In ICT Professional Competence (PROCOM)
Pearson International Limited (Edexcel)	Level 3 Diploma In ICT Professional Competence
	BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Communication Technology Skills
	BTEC Level 3 Diploma in ICT Systems and Principles; BTEC Level 3 Diploma in IT
	BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Professional Competence for IT and Telecoms Professionals
Sunway College, Ipoh Malaysia	Having completed Year 3 of the Diploma in Business Information Systems
University of Cambridge International Examinations (CIE)	Cambridge Pre-U Diploma in Business and Management
GED	Equivalent to a US High School Diploma (12 years) and provides entrance to universities. All 4 components must be passed
OTHM	Level 3, Foundation Diploma in Higher Education Studies

Other Computing with Business Management/ Computing with Business Management awards listed on the Regulated Qualifications Framework (RQF) in England which amount to 120 credits at Level 3 or above will normally be considered as appropriate Direct Entry qualifications, subject to confirmation with NCC Education.

4.3 Exemptions from NCC Education L4DC and L4DC BM Units

4.3.1 Exemption Policy

Note: The maximum exemptions granted to an individual candidate shall not exceed 50% of the programme credit total, or 60 credits.

Awarding Body	Qualification	NCC Education Units Exempted	Credit Value	Notes
Arab Academy for Science, Technology and Maritime Transport	Web Design Fundamentals	Designing and Developing Websites	15	Approved July 2022
Arab Academy for Science, Technology and Maritime Transport	Introduction to Information Systems 1 +2	Computer Systems	15	Approved July 2022
Berjaya TVET College Diploma	Diploma in Information Technology (DIT) – Advanced Networking unit	Computer Networks	15	
Berjaya TVET College Diploma	Diploma in Information Technology (DIT) – e-Business unit	eBusinesss	15	
Berjaya TVET College Diploma	Diploma in Information Technology (DIT) – Management Theories and Practices unit	Essentials of Management	15	
Berjaya TVET College Diploma	Diploma in Information Technology (DIT) – Business Digital Literacy and Management unit	Understanding Business Organisations	15	
Cisco	Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA)	Computer Networks	15	
Comptia	A+ Certified Professional	Computer Systems	15	
	Network+ Certified Professional	Computer Networks	15	

KBTC College, Myanmar	Level 4 Diploma in Cyber Security	Computer Systems	15	Approved July 2022
KBTC College, Myanmar	Level 4 Diploma in Programming - Database Management System	Databases	15	Approved June 2021
KBTC College, Myanmar	Level 4 Diploma in Programming - Computer Systems	Computer Systems	15	Approved June 2021
KBTC College, Myanmar	Level 4 Diploma in Programming - C# Programming	Designing and Developing Object Orientated Computer Programming	15	Approved June 2021
KBTC College, Myanmar	Level 4 Diploma in Programming - Web Design and Development Fundamentals	Designing and Developing Websites	15	Approved June 2021
KBTC College, Myanmar	Level 4 Diploma in Network Engineering - Computer Systems	Computer Systems	15	Approved June 2021
KBTC College, Myanmar	Level 4 Diploma in Network Engineering - Network Engineering & Internetworking Technologies	Computer Networks	15	Both KBTC's units (Network Engineering & Internetworking Technologies) need to be passed for exemption of NCC Education's Computer Networks Unit. Approved June 2021
KBTC College, Myanmar	Level 4 Diploma in Web and Mobile Application Development - Database and Backend Development	Databases	15	Approved June 2021
KBTC College, Myanmar	Level 4 Diploma in Web and Mobile Application Development - Web Development Technologies & Web Design and Frontend Web Development	Designing and Developing a Website.	15	Both KBTC's units (Web Development Technologies & Web Design and Frontend Web Development) need to be passed for exemption of NCC Education's Designing and Developing a Website. Approved June 2021

KBTC College, Myanmar	Level 4 Diploma in Network and Cyber Security Network Engineering & Internetworking Technologies	Computer Networks	15	Both KBTC's units (Network Engineering & Internetworking Technologies) need to be passed for exemption of NCC Education's Computer Networks Unit. Approved June 2021
KBTC College, Myanmar	Level 4 Diploma in Software Engineering - Software Engineering & Data Structure and Algorithms	Software Development Techniques	15	Both KBTC's units (Software Engineering & Data Structure and Algorithms) need to be passed for exemption of NCC Education's Software Development Techniques Unit. Approved June 2021
Knowledge Management & Dedication Company Ltd	Advanced Diploma in Computing (Software Development) Year 1	Computer Systems	15	
Knowledge Management & Dedication Company Ltd	Advanced Diploma in Computing (Software Development) Year 1	Software Development Techniques	15	
Knowledge Management & Dedication Company Ltd	Advanced Diploma in Computing (Software Development) Year 1	Databases	15	
Kolej ASA	Diploma in Information Technology	Designing and Developing a Website (DDW), Databases (DBAS), Designing and Developing an Object-oriented Computer Program (DDOOC), eCommerce		
Microsoft	MCITP Enterprise Administrator	Computer Networks	15	Exemption only for candidates who have been awarded the MCITP certification in one of these specialist areas and have passed examinations

	MCITP Server Administrator			70-640 and 70-642 to achieve this.
Microsoft	Microsoft Certified Solutions Expert (MCSE)	Computer Networks	15	
NCC Education LTD	Level 4 Diploma in Computing (L4DC)	Designing and Developing a Website (DDW)	15	
Qualifi	Level 4 Diploma in IT Networking (L4DN)	Computer Networks (CN)	15	
Qualifi	Level 4 Diploma in IT Networking (L4DN)	Computer Systems (CSYS)	15	
Qualifi	Level 4 Diploma in IT Networking (L4DN)	Databases (DB)	15	
Qualifi	Level 4 Diploma in IT Web Design (L4DW)	Computer Systems (CSYS)	15	
Qualifi	Level 4 Diploma in IT Web Design (L4DW)	Databases (DB)	15	
Qualifi	Level 4 Diploma in IT Web Design (L4DW)	Designing and Developing a Website (DDW)	15	
Qualifi	Level 4 Diploma in eCommerce (L4DE)	Computer Systems (CSYS)	15	
Qualifi	Level 4 Diploma in eCommerce (L4DE)	Databases (DB)	15	
Qualifi	Level 4 Diploma in eCommerce (L4DE)	(DDOOCPP)	15	
Qualifi	Level 4 Diploma in IT	Candidates can have 4 Exemptions from Level 4 from the following modules – Computer Networks*, Computer Systems, Designing and Developing Websites** and Databases *Candidates need to have done the 2 electives Physical Networks and Logical Networks **Candidates need to have done Web Design and Web Programming		

UCSY Yangon Myanmar	B.C.Sc (Second Year) complete	Computer Networks (CN), Software Development Techniques, Databases, Designing and Developing a Website (DDW), Designing and Developing an Object-oriented Computer Program (DDOOC), Office Solutions Development (OSD)	15	Choose 4 of the following - CN, SDT, Databases, DDW, DDOOC, OSD) Approved July 22
UIT Yangon Myanmar	B.C.Sc (Second Year) complete	Software Development Techniques, Databases, Designing and Developing a Website (DDW), Designing and Developing an Object-oriented Computer Program (DDOOC), Office Solutions Development (OSD)	15	Choose 4 of the following - SDT, Databases, DDW, DDOOC, OSD) Approved July 22
University of Computer Studies (Hinthada), Myanmar	B.C.Sc (Third Year) complete	CN, SDT, Databases, DDW, OSD	15	
University of Computer Studies (Hpa-An), Myanmar	B.C.Sc (Second Year) complete	CN, SDT, Databases, DDW, OSD	15	
University of Computer Studies (Pyay), Myanmar	B.C.Sc (Second Year) complete	CN, SDT, Databases, DDW	15	

University of Computer Studies (Yangon), Myanmar	B.C.Sc (Second Year) complete	CN, SDT, Databases, DDW	15	
University of Computer Studies (Mandalay), Myanmar	B.C.Sc (Second Year) complete	CN, SDT, Databases, DDW	15	
University of Technology, Myanmar	B.C.Sc (Second Year) complete	CN, DDW and SDT	15	

4.3.2 L4DCBM: Note on units shared with the Level 4 Diploma in Business

The following units from the Level 4 Diploma in Computing with Business Management are shared with the existing Level 4 Diploma in Business:

- Essentials of Management
- eBusiness
- Understanding Business Organisations

All published exemptions from these three units in any other award will also apply to these units on the Level 4 Diploma in Computing with Business Management. Candidates approaching the Level 4 Diploma in Computing with Business Management from a background in business, administration and management (rather than Computing/information technology) may be eligible for exemption from one or more of these units as detailed in Section 6 below.

5 NCC EDUCATION LEVEL 5 DIPLOMA IN COMPUTING (RQF) (L5DC), NCC EDUCATION LEVEL 5 DIPLOMA IN COMPUTING WITH BUSINESS MANAGEMENT (RQF) (L5DCBM) and NCC EDUCATION LEVEL 5 DIPLOMA IN COMPUTING WITH CYBER SECURITY (RQF) (L5DCCS)

5.1 Direct Entry onto NCC Education L5DC and L5DCCS Qualification

Holders of the following qualifications may directly enter the NCC Education Level 5 Diploma in Computing	
Awarding Body/Organisation	Title of Qualification
AIE	National Certificate: Information Technology (Systems Development)
Aptech	Advanced Diploma in Software Engineering (ADSE)
Association of Business Executives (ABE)	Level 5 Diploma in Business Information Systems (NQF)
	Level 6 Advanced Diploma in Business Information Systems (NQF)
Association of Computer Professionals (ACP)	Advanced Diploma in Computer Science
Bangladesh Technical Education Board (BTEC)	Diploma in Engineering (four years); <i>accepted pathways are "Computer Technology" or "Computer Science and Technology"</i> .
British Computer Society (BCS)	L4 Certificate & L5 Diploma in Information Technology
City and Guilds	Level 4 Diploma in ICT Professional Competence (PROCOM) (RQF)
Informatics Academy	International Diploma in Computing (IDIC)
	International Advanced Diploma in Computing (IADIC)
	International Advanced Diploma in Networking and Communications (IADNC)
Institute for the Management of Information Systems (IMIS)	L4 & L5 IMIS Diploma
Malta College of Arts, Science and Technology (MCAST)	MCAST-BTEC Extended Diploma in IT (Level 4) (<i>any pathway</i>)
Management Development Institute of Singapore (MDIS)	Diploma in Information Technology (Edith Cowan University)
MIS Technologies Centre Singapore	Advanced Diploma in Information Technology
Nanyang Polytechnic Singapore	Year 1 and Year 2 of Diploma in Information Technology

Olympia College – Raffles Education Group	Diploma in Information Technology
Pearson (Edexcel)	BTEC Level 4 Diploma in Professional Competence for IT and Telecoms Professionals (RQF)
	BTEC Level 4 HNC Diploma in Computing and Systems Development (RQF)
	Higher National Diploma in Computing or Computer Studies (NQF)
Perth Institute of Business and Technology <i>Australia</i>	Diploma of Computing and Information Technology (Edith Cowan University)
Qualifi	Level 4 and Level 5 Diploma in IT and Networking; IT and Web Design; IT and E-commerce
Systematic Education Group (SEGi) <i>Malaysia</i>	Higher Diploma in Computer Studies (SHDCS)
Singapore Polytechnic	Year 1 of Diploma in Business Information Technology <i>Accepted Pathways: Bio-informatics; Information Systems; Mobile Applications Development; Networking</i>
Scottish Qualification Authority	Higher National Diploma in one of the Computing-related areas (see SQA website for details)
Temasek Polytechnic <i>Singapore</i>	Year 1 Diploma in Internet Computing plus Year 2 Diploma in Internet Computing
Technological University (Hmawbi), <i>Yangon , Myanmar</i>	Bachelor of Information Technology (First, Second, Third, Fourth Year)
TMC Educational Group <i>Singapore</i>	Diploma in Information Systems
	Higher Diploma in Information Systems

Other Computing awards listed on the Regulated Qualifications Framework (RQF) in England which amount to 120 credits at Level 4 or above will normally be considered as appropriate Direct Entry qualifications, subject to confirmation with NCC Education.

5.2 Direct Entry onto NCC Education L5DCBM Qualification

Holders of the following qualifications may directly enter the NCC Education Level 5 Diploma in Computing with Business Management	
Awarding Body/Organisation	Title of Qualification
Aptech	Advanced Diploma in Software Engineering (ADSE)
Association of Business Executives (ABE)	Level 5 Diploma in Business Information Systems (NQF)
	Level 6 Advanced Diploma in Business Information Systems (NQF)
Bangladesh Technical Education Board (BTEC)	Diploma in Engineering (four years); <i>accepted pathways are "Computer Technology" or "Computer Science and Technology"</i> .
Berjaya TVET College	Professional Diploma in Business Information Technology (PDBIT)
British Computer Society (BCS)	L4 Certificate & L5 Diploma in Information Technology
City and Guilds	Level 4 Diploma in ICT Professional Competence (PROCOM) (RQF)
Informatics Academy	International Diploma in Computing (IDIC)
	International Advanced Diploma in Computing (IADIC)
	International Advanced Diploma in Networking and Communications (IADNC)
Institute for the Management of Information Systems (IMIS)	L4 & L5 IMIS Diploma
Malta College of Arts, Science and Technology (MCAST)	MCAST-BTEC Extended Diploma in IT (Level 4) (<i>any pathway</i>)
Management Development Institute of Singapore (MDIS)	Diploma in Information Technology (Edith Cowan University)
MIS Technologies Centre Singapore	Advanced Diploma in Information Technology
Nanyang Polytechnic Singapore	Year 1 and Year 2 of Diploma in Information Technology
Pearson (Edexcel)	BTEC Level 4 Diploma in Professional Competence for IT and Telecoms Professionals (RQF)
	BTEC Level 4 HNC Diploma in Computing and Systems Development (RQF)
	Higher National Diploma in Computing or Computer Studies (NQF)

Perth Institute of Business and Technology <i>Australia</i>	Diploma of Computing and Information Technology (Edith Cowan University)
Qualifi	Level 4 and Level 5 Diploma in IT and Networking; IT and Web Design; IT and e-Commerce
Systematic Education Group (SEGi) <i>Malaysia</i>	Higher Diploma in Computer Studies (SHDCS)
Singapore Polytechnic	Year 1 of Diploma in Business Information Technology <i>Accepted Pathways: Bio-informatics; Information Systems; Mobile Applications Development; Networking</i>
Scottish Qualification Authority	Higher National Diploma in one of the Computing- related areas (see SQA website for details)
Temasek Polytechnic <i>Singapore</i>	Year 1 Diploma in Internet Computing plus Year 2 Diploma in Internet Computing
TMC Educational Group <i>Singapore</i>	Diploma in Information Systems
	Higher Diploma in Information Systems

Other Computing with Business Management awards listed on the Regulated Qualifications Framework (RQF) in England which amount to 120 credits at Level 4 or above will normally be considered as appropriate Direct Entry qualifications, subject to confirmation with NCC Education.

5.3 Exemptions from NCC Education L5DC and L5DCBM Units

5.3.1 Exemption Policy for L5DC

Note: The maximum exemptions granted to an individual candidate shall not exceed 50% of the programme credit total, or 60 credits.

Awarding Body	Qualification	NCC Education Units Exempted	Credit Value	Notes
Unisoft	Unisoft Associate Diploma in Web Design	Dynamic Websites (DWEB)	15/20	
Knowledge Management & Dedication Company Ltd	Advanced Diploma in Computing (Software Development) Year 2	Computing Project	15/20	
Knowledge Management & Dedication Company Ltd	Advanced Diploma in Computing (Software Development) Year 2	Database Design and Development	15/20	
Knowledge Management & Dedication Company Ltd	Advanced Diploma in Computing (Software Development) Year 2	Dynamic Websites	15/20	

5.3.2 Exemption Policy for L5DCBM

Note: The maximum exemptions granted to an individual candidate shall not exceed 50% of the programme credit total, or 60 credits.

Awarding Body	Qualification	NCC Education Units Exempted	Credit Value	Notes
Unisoft	Unisoft Associate Diploma in Web Design	Dynamic Websites (DWEB)	15/20	
Knowledge Management & Dedication Company Ltd	Advanced Diploma in Computing (Software Development) Year 2	Database Design and Development	15/20	
Knowledge Management & Dedication Company Ltd	Advanced Diploma in Computing (Software Development) Year 2	Dynamic Websites	15/20	

5.3.3 L5DCBM: Note on Units shared with the Level 5 Diploma in Business

The following units from the Level 5 Diploma in Computing with Business Management are shared with the existing Level 5 (International) Diploma in Business:

- Principles of Business Operations
- Information Systems and Organisations

All published exemptions from these three units in any other award will also apply to these units on the Level 5 Diploma in Computing with Business Management. Candidates approaching the Level 5 Diploma in Computing with Business Management from a background in business, administration and management (rather than information technology) may be eligible for exemption from one or more of these units as detailed in Section 7 below.

6 LEVEL 6 BSC (HONS) BUSINESS COMPUTING AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS and CYBER SECURITY and NETWORKING

6.1 Direct Entry onto Level 6 BSC (Hons) Business Computing and Information Systems

Holders of the following qualifications may directly enter the Level 6 BSC (Hons) Business Computing and Information Systems	
Awarding Body/Organisation	Title of Qualification
NCC Education	L4 and L5 Diploma in Computing L4 and L5 Diploma in Computing (with Business Management)
ABMA**	Computing and Information Systems
ATHE	Levels 4 & 5 Diplomas in Computing
Informatics***	Diploma in IT and Advanced Diploma in IT
Informatics	IDC and International Advanced Diploma in Computing
OBS (Qualifi)	Levels 4 and 5 Diplomas in IT and Computing
Qualifi	Levels 4 and 5 Diplomas in IT
OTHM	Level 4 and Level 5 Diploma in Information Technology
Pearson*	BTEC HND in Computing (all specialisms)
Pearson	HND Computing and Systems Development
BCET (Brit College of Engineering and Technology)	Levels 4 and 5 Diplomas in Strategic Business Information Systems
BCET (Brit College of Engineering and Technology)	Levels 4 and 5 Diplomas in Strategic Software Engineering
Institute for the Management of Information Systems (IMIS)	L4 & L5 IMIS Diploma

* This entry pathway is based on students studying optional units that focus on the areas of computing covered in the NCC Education Level 5 Diploma in Computing. These areas are programming, databases, networking and computing project – core units.

** This entry pathway is based on students completing L4, L5 and L6 of the Computing and Information Systems Diploma and completing the NCC Education Level 5 Network Security and Cryptography unit.

*** This entry pathway is based on students completing both Diploma in IT and Advanced Diploma in IT.

6.2 Direct Entry onto Level 6 BSC (Hons) Cyber Security & Networking

Holders of the following qualifications may directly enter the Level 6 BSC (Hons) Cyber Security & Networking	
Awarding Body/Organisation	Title of Qualification
NCC Education	L4 DC or L4DC BM and L5 Diploma in Computing (with Cyber Security)
ABMA***	Computing and Information Systems
ATHE**	Level 4 and Level 5 Diploma in Computing + 3 EC Council units
OTHM**	Level 4 and Level 5 Diploma in Information Technology + 3 EC Council units
Pearson	BTEC HND in Computing (Network Engineering) and BTEC HND in Computing (Cyber Security) only
Pearson	Graduates of Pearson's Levels 5 Diplomas in Computing and Software Development plus either NCC Education L5DC (CS) or the 3 EC Council modules should be able to progress to the BSc (Hons) Cyber Security & Networking
Qualifi	Level 4 and Level 5 Diplomas in Cybersecurity
Qualifi	Levels 4 and 5 Diplomas in IT +3 EC Council units
SQA*	Advanced Diploma in Computing: Networking
SQA*	HND Cyber Security
BCET (Brit College of Engineering and Technology) ****	Levels 4 and 5 Diplomas in Strategic Software Engineering
Qualifi	Level 5 Extended Diploma in Networking and Cyber (worth 240 credits)

* This entry pathway is based on students studying optional Database units

** This entry pathway is based on students studying the 3 EC Council units which are part of L5DC(CS).

*** This entry pathway is based on students completing L4, L5 and L6 of the Computing and Information Systems Diploma and completing the NCC Education Level 5 Network Security and Cryptography unit and the 3 EC Council units.

**** This entry pathway is based on students completing - Ethical Hacking and Information Security Assessment, Computer Forensics and Incident Investigation, Network Security Threats and Defence Mechanisms

7 NCC EDUCATION LEVEL 4 DIPLOMA IN BUSINESS (RQF) (L4DB)

7.1 Direct Entry onto NCC Education L4DB Qualification

Holders of the following qualifications may directly enter the NCC Education Level 4 Diploma in Business (L4DB).	
Awarding Body/Organisation	Title of Qualification
ABE (The Association of Business Executives)	Certificate in Business Management
Boston Business Management School	Certificate in Business Management
Cambridge Diploma	Diploma in Business
	Diploma in ICT
IMIS (Institute for the Management of Information Systems)	Foundation Diploma
LCCIEB (London Chamber of Commerce and Industry Examinations Board)	Any Level 3 Group Diploma
New Zealand Qualifications Authority -authorised awarding bodies	Have completed partially the New Zealand Diploma in Business
Pearson International Limited (Edexcel)	BTEC Level 3 Nationals in Business
Sunway College, Ipoh	Have Completed Year 3 of Diploma in Business Information System
Educare Global Academy (Singapore)	Foundation Course in Management
OTHM	Level 3, Foundation Diploma in Higher Education Studies

7.2 Exemptions from NCC Education L4DB Units

7.2.1 Exemption Policy

The maximum amount of exemptions given to an individual candidate shall not exceed 60 credits.

Awarding Body	Qualification/Unit	NCC Education Units		Notes
Qualifi	Level 4 Diploma in Business Management (L4DBM)	Communications for Business (CFB)		
Qualifi	Level 4 Diploma in Business Management (L4DBM)	Introduction to Finance (ITF)		
ABE	Level 4 Diploma in Business Management Unit: Introduction to Quantitative Methods	Business Mathematics (BM)		Exemption granted August 2020
ABE	Level 4 Diploma in Business Management Unit: Finance for Managers	Introduction to Finance (ITF)		Exemption granted August 2020
Educare Global Academy (Singapore) **	Diploma in Business Management (DIBM)	Exemptions for Business Maths, Intro to Finance, Fundamentals of Economics, Essentials of Management, Understanding Business Organisations and		Exemptions granted September 2023

**To be awarded the NCC L4DB Diploma certificate, students from the DIBM will be required to take CFB and EBusiness and any other 2 units from the list of exempted units.

Students may opt to take CFB and EBusiness as Standalone units and will receive Standalone certificates and progress to L5DB

8 NCC EDUCATION LEVEL 5 DIPLOMA IN BUSINESS (RQF) (L5DB)

8.1 Direct Entry onto NCC Education L5DB Qualification

Holders of the following qualifications may directly enter the NCC Education Level 5 Diploma in Business (L5DB)		
Awarding Body/ Organisation	Title of Qualification	Date
Berjaya	Diploma in Management and Administration	June 2020
Help Academy	Diploma in Business Management	January 2021
Edexcel	Higher National Diploma (HND) in Business	
Informatics – The Thames Business School	International Diploma in Business Administration	
	Higher Diploma in Business Administration	
	Advanced Diploma in Business Administration	
La Salle – Business Engineering School <i>Spain</i>	BA Graduate in Management of Business and Technology (1st and 2nd Year)	
La Trobe University <i>Australia</i>	Diploma in Business Administration	
Mahatma Gandhi University <i>India</i>	Bachelor of Business Administration	
New Zealand Qualifications Authority- authorised awarding bodies	New Zealand Diploma in Business	

Unisoft Hong Kong	<p>Professional Diploma in Financial and Computerized Accounting Studies</p> <p>Holders of this qualification may directly enter NCC Education L5DB subject to the condition that they also successfully complete the following NCC Education L4DB units:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Communications for Business – Understanding Business Organisations – Essentials of Management – Principles of Marketing <p>Notes:</p> <p>1. The L4DB units may be studied concurrently with L5DB units.</p> <p>2. Holders of this qualification who are 21 years of age or over may directly enter NCC EDUCATION L5DB without any other condition.</p> <p>Professional Diploma in E-Logistics Management</p> <p>Holders of this qualification may directly enter NCC Education L5DB subject to the condition that they also successfully complete the following NCC Education L4DB units:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communications for Business • Understanding Business Organisations • Essentials of Management • Principles of Marketing <p>Notes:</p> <p>The L4DB units may be studied concurrently with L5DB units.</p> <p>2. Holders of this qualification who are 21 years of age or over may directly enter NCC Education L5DB without any other condition.</p>	
Yangon Institute of Economics <i>Myanmar</i>	<p>Bachelor of Commerce</p> <p>Bachelor of Business Administration</p> <p>Master of Business Administration</p>	

8.2 Exemption from NCC Education L5DB Qualification

8.2.1 Exemption Policy

The maximum amount of exemptions given to an individual candidate shall not exceed 60 credits.

Awarding Body	Qualification/Unit	NCC Education Units Exempted	Credit Value	Notes
ABE	Level 5 Diploma in Business Management Unit: Effective Financial Management	Financial Management	20	Exemption granted August 2020
ABE	Level 5 Diploma in Business Management Units: Human Resource Management/Employee Engagement/The HR Professional	Human Resources in Business	20	Exemption granted August 2020
ABE	Level 5 Diploma in Business Management Unit: Finance for Managers	Understanding Consumer Behaviour	20	Exemption granted August 2020
Help Academy	Corporate Finance & Management Accounting	Financial Management	20	Exemption granted January 2021
Help Academy	Human Resource Management	Human Resources in Business	20	Exemption granted January 2021
Help Academy	Marketing Management	Marketing in Business	20	Exemption granted January 2021

Kolej ASA	Diploma in Management	Financial Management Human Resources in Business Marketing in Business	20	
Educare Global Academy (Singapore)	Advanced Diploma in Business Management	Human Resources in Business Principles of Business Operations	20	Exemptions granted September 2023

9 Level 6 BA (Hons) BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

9.1 Direct Entry onto Level 6 BA (Hons) Business Administration

Holders of the following qualifications may directly enter the Level 6 BA (Hons) Business Administration	
Awarding Body/Organisation	Title of Qualification
NCC Education	L5 Diploma in Business
ABE	Level 5 & 6 Diploma in Business Management
ATHE**	Level 4 & 5 Extended Diploma in Management
Eduqual	Diploma in Business & Marketing Management (SCQF Level 8)
ESEI	Level 5 in Business
Informatics	International Advanced Diploma in Business Administration
New Zealand Qualifications Authority	Level 6 Diploma in Business
Pearson*	BTEC HND in Business

* This entry pathway is based on students studying the following HND optional units: Unit 13; Unit 14; Unit 15; Unit 16; Unit 17; Unit 21; Unit 33; Unit 34 and Unit 40

** To gain direct entry, students MUST have completed BOTH the ATHE Level 4 Extended Diploma in Management & Level 5 Extended Diploma in Management. Also, students have to study the following electives: 'Marketing Principals and Practice' and 'Risk Management'/'CRM'.

10 NCC EDUCATION LEVEL 7 DIPLOMA IN BUSINESS MANAGEMENT (RQF) (L7DBM)

10.1 Direct Entry onto NCC Education L7DBM

No direct entry routes are currently offered for the L7DBM.

10.2 Exemptions from NCC Education L7DBM

10.2.1 Exemptions Policy

Awarding Body	Qualification	NCC Education Units Exempted	Credit Value
Qualifi	Level 7 Diploma in Strategic Management & Leadership (L7DSML)	Strategic Management (SM)	20
Qualifi	Level 7 Diploma in Strategic Management & Leadership (L7DSML)	Corporate Finance and Decision Making (CFDM)	20 each
Institute of Business Administration	Postgraduate Diploma in Business Administration	Corporate Finance and Decision Making (CFDM) and IMS	20 each
Educare Global Academy	Postgraduate Diploma in Business Management	Exemptions for Strategic Management, Leadership, People and Change and Entrepreneurship and Innovation.	20 each