

HONG KONG AIR CADET CORPS
Vocational Qualifications Unit

MEMO

<i>From</i> <u>OC VQU</u>	<i>To</i> <u>All OC Units</u>
	<i>CC</i> <u>DCO Trg, OC Trg Gp, OC AE Wg, OC SD Wg & OC TOS Wg</u>
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BTEC Level 2 Certificate in Aviation Studies 2016 – Application Call

We are delighted to introduce the first aviation-related BTEC qualification in Hong Kong — “Edexcel BTEC Level 2 Certificate in Aviation Studies for Air Cadets” accredited to the Qualifications and Credit Framework (QCF), UK. The purpose of this qualification is to help our members to prepare for further aviation-related qualifications or an aviation career. Many of these units are technical in nature and provide a good grounding in basic aviation engineering principles. Great emphasis is placed on learning and further development which aims to provide the learners with an additional qualification not available to them through the traditional school-based educational system.

2. Details are shown below:

Eligibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Programme is open to all cadet members. ○ Adult members who have completed OCTC, OTTC or RITC are also welcome. ○ Other adult members who are interested can still apply subject to the assessment result of Recognition of Prior Learning.
Programme Structure	Learners have to complete TWO mandatory units from List A: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Fundamental Principles of Airmanship for Air Cadets (5 credits) ii. Map Reading for Air Cadets (5 credits) <u>And</u> ONE optional unit from List B: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Radio Communications for Air Cadets (5 credits) ii. Principles of Flight (5 credits)
Teaching Methods	On top of the routine cadet training, extra classroom training, field trips, flight simulation training and guided learning will be arranged. The medium of instruction is Cantonese supplemented by English.
Teachers	Qualified instructors from AE Wg, SD Wg, TOS Wg and VQU
Assessments	Learning portfolio and assignments
Grades	Pass, Merit and Distinction
Length of Study	Part-time; April 2016 – March 2017 (Depending on the individual progress, learners can complete the programme earlier)
Tuition Fee	£188 (Payment instructions will be sent to individual applicants later)
Application Procedure	Applicants should submit the application form online: http://goo.gl/forms/yL6ibcHIXK . Approval form from OC Unit for all types of members: http://goo.gl/forms/7XlIFwMnY4 . Application deadline: 31 March 2016 (Thu) .

3. For further details of the qualification, please visit: (1) Specification: <http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/btec-specialist-and-professional-qualifications/transport-and-logistics/btec-specialist-aviation-studies-for-air-cadets-12.html> (2) Pearson Hong Kong: <http://www.pearson.com.hk/index.php?section=126>. A briefing session will be held later.

4. Should you have any enquiries, please feel free to contact our working group or the undersigned at vqu@aircadets.org.hk.

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