

Thomas Telford School

Contextual Statement for UCAS 2017 applications

School context

Thomas Telford School is an all ability City Technology College based in Telford, which draws students from Telford and Wolverhampton. We have a Sixth form of approximately 450 students who are fully integrated into the School as a whole.

Sixth Form Courses

In Year 12, all students normally complete a 4 AS Level equivalent programme and this can include a combination of academic or applied A-Levels and BTEC Level 3 courses where appropriate.

All students sit the AS examination at the end of Year 12, where appropriate.

In Year 13, most students continue a 4 A Level equivalent programme, although a small number of students may reduce to 3 subjects in order to consolidate their learning or to accommodate work experience placements, which may be essential for a university or job applications.

UCAS predictions

Students are formally assessed and written reports of progress are made 9 times a year. These reports are informed by regular tests in class, mock examinations in February and the AS examination result. UCAS grade predictions are finalised in September/October of Year 13, based on this solid body of evidence. Students therefore have realistic and reliable predictions against which they can make informed decisions about university and course choices.