

Arts Award and the Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework (SCQF)

Arts Award qualifications are regulated by **Ofqual** (Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation) in England and are on the Regulated Qualifications framework (RQF). Arts Award is not currently accredited in Scotland or on the Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework (SCQF). Organisations in Scotland are welcome to register as an Arts Award centre and deliver Arts Award qualifications and Trinity College London's Ofqual recognition demonstrates that the qualifications have a value in terms of young people receiving a formal qualification that can be mapped to a range of qualification frameworks.

Arts Award Discover is an unregulated award certificated by Trinity College London and does not appear on any regulated frameworks.

To assist you in understanding how Arts Award qualifications included on the RQF framework and regulated by Ofqual, maps to the SCQF, we have included an example of the types of qualification achieved at each level on these frameworks. This supports Arts Award centres in Scotland to describe to young people, parents and carers, Arts Award's equivalency to other qualifications accredited in Scotland on the SCQF or delivered through the Framework for Excellence.

Arts Award Level	RQF level and title	RQF equivalence example qualification	SCQF equivalence example qualification
Discover	Introductory Award	N/A	N/A
Explore	Entry Level Award in the Arts (Entry 3)	N/A	3 (National 3 / Access 3)
Bronze	Level 1 Award in the Arts	GCSE - grades 3-1	4 (National 4 / Intermediate 1)
Silver	Level 2 Award in the Arts	GCSE - grades 9-4	5 (National 5 / Intermediate 2)
Gold	Level 3 Certificate in the Arts	A Level (16 UCAS points)	6 (Higher)

NB Arts Award is not currently levelled on the SCQF and we cannot guarantee what SCQF level Arts Award would gain, but the examples given above are broad comparators with RQF levels as cited by the SQA which has been taken from [their website](#).

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