

Case study - BTEC First

Organisation: St Joseph's Convent School, Port of Spain,
Trinidad and Tobago
Names: Cherisse and Jael, aged 15
Course: BTEC Applied Science
Duration: Two years

Why did you choose this course?

Cherisse: I personally find science very interesting. I like the fact that in this course you get to see how science is applied in everyday life.

Jael: I find it very interesting and enjoyable. It's practical and different, because I'm studying a lot of business courses.

What do you like most about it? Why?

Cherisse: Its practicality and application. For example, we went to Unilever to see how salt is made, which was good, and we've looked at cells. It also gives you the chance to choose options, and I'm doing Forensic Science, which is great.

Jael: I like learning about different scientific principles in a practical way. I've studied science before, but this is different.

How is it different to other courses?

Cherisse: I personally find it more interesting. I like the way it's taught and the choice of options.

Jael: The BTEC helps me see how science applies to everyday life. For instance, we went on a trip to see how air conditioners are made.

What will you do next?

Cherisse: I want to go into anaesthesiology and work as an anaesthetist. I'll need to go on to do further science, like human biology, and the BTEC will really help me as I'll get credits.

Jael: I'm going to study biology at a more advanced level, along with geography, accounts and maths. I actually want to go on to be an accountant, but I enjoy studying science and the BTEC makes it more interesting.

Would you recommend BTEC to other students?

Definitely! (both)



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