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Dear Charlotte

## **OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technicals in Laboratory Skills**

Thank you for asking me to review your new Cambridge Technicals in Laboratory Skills with a view to confirming if these would be suitable for consideration in our admissions process to our degree programmes. The qualifications I have reviewed are:

OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Certificate in Laboratory Skills (603/0394/3) OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Extended Certificate in Laboratory Skills (601/7458/4) OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Foundation Diploma in Laboratory Skills (601/7460/2) OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Diploma in Laboratory Skills (601/7461/4) OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Level 3 Extended Diploma in Laboratory Skills (603/0695/6)

I agree that these provide the basis for progression on to a range of courses at Northampton University, particularly where they are able to be taken within a programme of study which develops other skills and knowledge at the same level. In some cases, we might require a specific subject be studied alongside to A-level or equivalent standard.

The inclusion of external assessment should ensure that these qualifications are robust and I believe that anyone who takes these qualification would have had a good preparation for the courses that we offer in Biological Sciences, Environmental Science and Leatehr Technology.

Yours sincerely,

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