



Advanced Level

ART & DESIGN



Course Aims:

Art is a form of communication and expression - a visual language, which deals with the construction and interpretation, of both personal and cultural meanings. This course is designed to give learners an engaging and innovative creative learning experience, where art and design practices are integrated with contextual knowledge and understanding. The aim of this course is to build a broad foundation of critical, practical and theoretical skills which encourages creativity, analytical thinking and technical skills.

The course is suitable to those committed to the Arts generally.

Subject Information Sheet



Course Content and Assessment:

Component 1: Personal Creative Enquiry. 40% of qualification (coursework unit).

Component 2: Personal Investigation. 36% the qualification

Component 3: External set assignment. 24%

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A Level Overview:

Component 1: Personal Investigation

Learners should produce two elements:

(i) an in-depth critical, practical and theoretical investigation project/portfolio and outcome/s based on themes and subject matter that have personal significance

(ii) an extended written response of 1000 words minimum, this may contain images and texts must clearly relate to practical and theoretical work.

Assessment Overview 01: Personal Creative Enquiry

160 marks - non-exam assessment (internally assessed and externally moderated) 60% total of A Level

Component 2: Personal Investigation - 160 marks

Component 03: Externally set task:

- The externally set assignment materials are released from 1 February (in the second year of the course) and will provide learners with a series of visual and written stimuli.
- A response should be based on one of these options.
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Assessment Overview 02: Externally Set Task:

100 Marks - 15 Hours - non exam assessment (internally assessed and externally moderated) 40% of total A Level

Learning Methods:

The course is designed to stimulate interest and enjoyment and help to contribute to the development of a thinking, responsible and visually literate individual.

Students are provided with extensive opportunities to develop their descriptive, interpretative and analytical skills whilst an emphasis is also placed on acquiring necessary subject based skills.

Career Opportunities:

Creativity and developing your ideas and skills are key elements that are useful in many occupations. Opportunities to progress to University or apprenticeships in all areas of Fine Art, Graphic Design, 3D Design, Contextual Studies, Photography, History of Art and Fashion Design, Interior Design, Animation. The list is endless.

Entry Requirements:

Grade 5 or above in an Art or Design based subject.

If you have not taken a GCSE in art and design or an art and design-related subject, you can still show a portfolio of work that shows your passion, ability, and commitment to this course

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