

Subject Information Sheet



Advanced Level 3D DESIGN



Course Aims:

Explore how you could improve the world around you through your designs. This course is a creative and thought provoking qualification; Three-Dimensional Design is distinguishable by the emphasis placed upon functional and utilitarian considerations. The A Level 3D Design is a two-year course that will give you the opportunity to explore a wide range of materials and techniques through creating three dimensional work.

Students who enjoy and successfully complete this subject typically progress onto creative apprenticeships or degree courses at University.

Course Content and Assessment:

The 3D Design A Level is an art-based qualification under the Eduqas examination board.

The course is divided into two units; coursework which counts for 60% and an external exam which counts for 40% of the overall A Level grade.

A Level Overview:

Possible areas of study could include:

- production design
- interior design
- product design
- environmental design
- architectural design
- 3-D animation design and construction
- furniture design
- 3D Digital design

Component 1 - Personal Investigation

This component consists of a major, in-depth, practical, critical and theoretical investigative project/ theme-based portfolio and outcome/s with integrated extended written critical and contextual analysis (1000 words minimum). Assignments, briefs or themes undertaken are to be determined by the student and teacher

Component 2 - Externally Set Assignment

This component represents the culmination of learners' Advanced level study and provides a substantial challenge. Learners are required to develop independently a personal response to one of a varied range of stimuli within specified time constraints. Learners must therefore bring together the best of their understanding, knowledge and skills built up over their course of study and demonstrate their highest achievement through this externally set assignment.

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

Career Opportunities:

Opportunities to progress to University or apprenticeships in all areas of architect, jewellery designer, interior designer, product designer or set designer. The list is endless.

Entry Requirements:

Grade 4 or above in English Language and Maths.

Grade 4 or above in an art and design or creative media GCSE subject is preferred.

In exceptional cases when a student has not taken GCSE Art or 3D Design, their application will still be considered during the interview process.

Staff Contacts

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