

Subject: Art and Design

Level: A Level Exam Board: Edexcel



Course Outline

The course involves the study of a range of traditional visual themes: still life, landscape, portrait, abstract imagery and design as well as experimental and contemporary ideas. Work will be developed in sketchbooks and on a larger scale and this will involve experimentation with a variety of materials, tools and techniques. The technical aspect of the course will involve a combination of drawing, painting, printmaking, sculpture, textiles and digital image manipulation.

The study of artists and their work at first hand, will play an important role in the development of your work.

What will I learn on this course?

You will learn how to:

- develop your ability to appreciate the visual world and your response to it in a creative, imaginative and personal way;
- develop a working knowledge of a range of materials, tools and techniques within art and use these skills to interpret and convey your ideas and feelings;
- develop advanced skills of recording, observation and analysis in a sketchbook;
- develop a specialist vocabulary and the knowledge and understanding of the place of art, craft and design in history and contemporary society.

What can I do with an A Level in art and design?

This course will appeal to students who may wish to:

- undertake further studies in art and design at further or higher education level;
- look to start a career for which the study of art is either a requirement or desirable. These might include advertising, publishing, architecture, fashion and textiles, interior design, museum or gallery work;
- have an interest in and an aptitude for the subject, but do not wish to continue with it after A Level.

Course Structure

Component 1

Personal Investigation 60% of qualification

Part 1

- Practical Work.
- Supporting studies and practical outcomes.

Part 2

- Personal Study.

Component 2

Externally set assignment 40% of qualification

- Students submit supporting studies and complete a final outcome in exam conditions completed over 15 hours.
- Externally set, internally marked and externally moderated.