

Drama



The Edexcel GCE Drama and Theatre Studies course is designed to develop students, performing skills and understanding of how to interpret drama and theatre through an appreciation of performance texts. Students will learn and recognise how the social, cultural and historical contexts of performance texts have influenced the development of drama and theatre. They will experience a range of opportunities to create theatre through performances that are both published text-based and devised; challenging student's to develop the creativity and independence to become effective theatre makers.

Course Outline

Component 1: Devise an original performance piece. The performance must use one key extract from a performance text and a theatre practitioner as stimuli. This component is assessed through a performance and a written portfolio. Internally assessed and externally moderated.

Component 2: This component is split into two performances. A group performance of one key extract from a performance text and a monologue or duologue performance from one key extract from a different performance text. Assessed by an external examiner.

Component 3: Theatre Makers in Practice. This is a written examination lasting 2 hours 30 minute. The examination is split into three sections. A Live Theatre Evaluation, realising a performance text and interpreting a performance text.

Career Progression

You can progress to higher level study at drama school or university or into employment within the performing arts industry.

A Level Drama and Theatre Studies

Complementary Subjects

English, History, Music, Art, Performing Arts, Law, Media, psychology

Entry requirements

6 in GCSE Drama or Performing Arts, 5 in English

What our Students say:

A Level Drama gave me the freedom of expression because it requires me to be experimental with my practical work through research and studying practitioners. I also really enjoy visiting the theatre to get inspiration and see different perspectives on how to stage a play or portray a character.

Ella – Class of 2018