

Art

This is a broad-based course exploring practical, critical and contextual work through a range of 2D and/or 3D processes and media. Art, craft and design gives you the skills and knowledge to create personal and imaginative work. You can choose to focus on a specialist area of study from a variety of exciting processes and media to suit your individual interests and abilities. This can result in degree opportunities and careers ranging from painting portraits to producing exotic fashion costumes or designing futuristic architecture. If you have an adventurous, creative and enquiring mind and are excited by shaping and determining the visual world around us, there is a career opportunity waiting for you.

Course Outline

A Level

In year 1, students will undertake a portfolio production project, introducing them to a wide range of artists and practices. This will give them a greater understanding of Art and Design contextualisation and develop their technical practice. Students will then undertake a personal sustained investigation, developing crucial skills for the successful completion of the course. This study will form part of component 1. In year 2, students will develop work for a second personal investigation into an idea, issue, concept or theme supported by written material. Component 1 will count for 60% of the total A-level marks. In component 2 students will produce personal work in response to one of eight exciting starting points which will count for 40% of your total A-level marks.

Students completing the course in summer 2021 will no longer be expected to complete component 2, in line with changes made to requirements by the exam board in response to lost learning caused by lockdown. Instead they will use the time which would have been given over to component 2 to further develop component 1 personal investigation.



Career Progression

The skills you gain in are highly-transferable to lots of other subjects.

Art, craft and design is a great companion to all other subjects as creativity, imagination and problem solving skills can give you great ideas for your other subjects. Art, Craft and Design opens up a world of opportunity, giving you access to a wide variety of fields including: Architecture, Film/Video production, Product design, Web design, Graphic design, Art therapy and Engineering among others.

Complementary Subjects

In particular Media, Photography, Physics, Maths and Design Technologies but relates to most AS / A level subjects.

Entry requirements

GCSE Art: **4**

What our Students say:

"I chose to study Art because I enjoy the freedom and creativity it offers me. It also improves my independent learning skills, crucial to success at university."

Olivia – Class of 2020