

ART AND DESIGN

HEAD OF DEPARTMENT

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TYPE OF QUALIFICATION

A-level

EXAM BOARD

AQA

SPECIFICATION

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ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Preferred: GCSE Art grade 6

Essential: GCSE Art grade 5



AIMS OF THE COURSE

The aims of this course are to:

- introduce students to a range of practical skills in 2 and 3 dimensions
- understand the process of creating art from initial idea to final outcome
- gain knowledge and understanding of the work of artists and designers both past and present and to use this knowledge to inform their own work
- develop confidence and independence when making decisions and creating art.

COURSE OUTLINE & ASSESSMENT

Component 1 : Personal Investigation (60% of A-level marks)

Practical work supported by a 1000-3000 word essay

Component 2 : Externally set assignment (40% of A-level marks)

Preparatory period and 15 hours supervised time

CAREER PROSPECTS

The A level Art, Craft and Design course is accepted for a wide range of university courses.

Students have gone on to study for Art related courses such as the pre-degree Foundation Course in Art and Design and degree courses including Fine Art, Architecture, Graphic Design, Illustration, Textiles, 3D design, Photography, Product Design and Digital Media. A level Art is also widely accepted for academic subjects such as English, History and Law.

SUBJECT ENRICHMENT



Something to think about...

What is the importance of art in society today?



Something to listen to...

Art Matters podcasts (www.artuk.org) created by Ferren Gibson exploring the interesting ways art meets popular culture and non-traditional art topics. Recent podcasts include: Art and Tattoos, Art References in Recent Hip Hop, Hair Trends Throughout Art History.



Something to read...

Tate Galleries: Tate Modern, Tate Britain, Tate Liverpool, Tate St Ives (www.tate.org.uk), The Yorkshire Sculpture Park (<https://ysp.org.uk/>) and The Royal Academy of Arts (www.royalacademy.org.uk).



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