

Art & Design (Fine Art)



Exam board: [AQA](#)

A Level Fine Art will introduce students to a variety of materials and processes in order to experience both traditional and new media. Students will explore their creative potential starting with the foundational elements of art and gradually recognising their own strengths to follow more personal lines of enquiry. Students will need to organise, select and communicate ideas visually but also through the development of critical analysis skills and the ability to record written concepts and contextual knowledge. Students will have full use of the department's resources and work with paint, mixed media, sculpture, print-making and photography.

Entry requirements:

PH6 standard entry requirements of five + GCSEs (or equivalent) grades 9-5.

Grade 5 or above GCSE Art & Design is desirable but not always a requirement. Applicants will be considered on an individual basis. A small portfolio of work should be available at the interview.

Student attributes:

- Willing to work hard and put effort into this challenging yet fascinating subject.
- Willing to purchase own art supplies.
- Keen to discover new techniques, media and creative processes.
- Focused and able to work independently and research new topics.
- Able to present ideas both visually and in writing.
- Able to relate artistic concepts to social, environmental and ethical contexts.

Course Content & Assessment:

The course requires 2 units of work which are assessed through four assessment objectives. Assessment objectives (AOs) are set by Ofqual and are the same across all A-level Art and Design specifications and all exam boards.

Unit 1: Personal Investigation 60% of A-level Portfolio of skills. (This includes a written element of 1,000-3,000 words)

Unit 2: Externally Set Assignment 40% of A-level: Preparatory Period (from 1 February) + 15 hours supervised time.

Future Destinations:

Successful A level Art students can go on to study on a range of Art & Design foundation and degree courses, nationally and internationally, and train in their area of specialisation, before going on to become an Artist, Designer, Architect, or Arts Professional in a broad variety of specialist areas. !

"Fine Art is an extremely fascinating subject that allows you to explore your creative side. It is inspiring and challenging but extremely rewarding. I have loved studying fine art for the last two years and it will continue to be part of my life in the future".

