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GCSE Art

Exam Board and Specification Code

Edexcel (www.edexcel.org.uk) 1FA0

Skills and qualifications required to study this subject

An interest in art and an enjoyment of the practice of art.

Brief overview of the subject:

Students build a knowledge of visual communication throughout the course. They engage with the creative process in order to develop as independent learners and it encourages them to become confident in taking risks and learning from experience. Students will develop skills in formal elements of art; line, form, tone, texture and colour alongside technical skills through working with a broad range of media and materials including drawing, painting, printmaking and 3D work. This course will also enable the students to develop many other transferable skills that are desirable to both higher education providers and to future employers including problem solving, critical thinking, communication skills, adaptability, self-reliance and resilience.

Course structure

- Component 1 – Personal portfolio (Coursework - 60%). Completed throughout Year 10 and in the autumn term of Year 11
- Component 2 – Externally set assignment (Exam - 40%). Exam project completed throughout the duration of the spring and summer terms of Year 11 culminating in a 10 hour (2 consecutive days) focused period of study (exam) in which a final piece is produced
- Both components are internally assessed and externally moderated

Courses linked to this subject

Students who take Art GCSE can go on to study a variety of courses at further and higher education providers such as Art, Photography, Art Foundation, Animation, Architecture, Graphic Design, Fashion, Film Production, Fine Art, Illustration, Interior Design and Textile Design to name a few.

Staff to contact with questions

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