

OPTIONAL SUBJECT

ART AND DESIGN

EXAM BOARD

AQA

QUALIFICATION

GCSE ART AND DESIGN 42011/42012

PERIODS PER WEEK IN YEAR 11

2

HOME LEARNING EXPECTATION

1 HOUR PER WEEK

THE COURSE

The GCSE Art and Design course is flexible and stimulates creativity by offering a high degree of choice, allowing different approaches to be followed. This course enables students to explore a range of different media, processes or techniques, ensuring that there is something suitable for all interests. It also offers students the opportunity to produce a portfolio of work that they can show to prospective employers or use to help secure a place in higher education.

- You will visit galleries such as Tate Liverpool to help you investigate the artwork of different artists.
- You will experiment with a range of media and materials enabling you to develop confidence with your skills.
- You will develop your critical thinking in response to a range of art and artists.

GCSE Art and Design provides students with a wide range of creative, exciting and stimulating opportunities to explore their interests in ways that are both personally relevant and developmental in nature.

This two component specification enables students to develop their ability to actively engage in the processes of Art and Design – to build creative skills through learning and doing, to develop imaginative and intuitive ways of working and develop knowledge and understanding of media, materials and technologies in historical and contemporary contexts, societies and cultures.

WHAT YOU WILL STUDY

Two components, introducing specialist art techniques and materials.

These could include: Drawing, Painting, Sculpture, Ceramics and Textiles.

Major Projects

Component 1: Portfolio of Work (comprising of two assignment themes)

Component 2: Externally Set Task (comprising of one assignment theme)

ASSESSMENT

Two assessments within Component 1: 60% and Component 2: 40%.

All components of coursework will be set and marked by your art teachers out of 96, then externally verified by a moderator.

What key skills will you develop?

- Critical Thinking
- Analysis
- Creativity
- Communication
- Research
- Global Perspective
- Interpersonal Abilities
- Design

What careers will this subject help prepare you for?

- Computer Games Animator
- Website Designer
- Social Media Developer
- Product Designer
- Graphic Designer
- Advertising Manager
- Brand Manager
- Art Therapist
- Art Gallery Manager
- Art Administrator
- Multimedia Programmer

LINK TO FURTHER STUDY AND CAREERS

[u-xplore](#) - inspiring careers education. U-Explore strive to make careers information, advice and guidance the best it can be.

[CCskills.org.uk](#) - Help and advice for your creative career.

[THE-DOTS.co.uk](#) - Inspiration/contacts/freelance/companies/jobs/workspaces/courses

[ARTSCOUNCIL.ORG](#) - championing, developing and investing in the arts and culture in England.

USEFUL RESOURCES

[Studentartguide](#) – Helping art students excel.

[ArtDaily](#) – ArtDaily is an online newspaper that covers art events around the world.

[Colossal](#) – Daily creative new and platform for contemporary artists.

[Saatchi](#) – Saatchi is a worldwide online art gallery. The site was created for art students who want to meet others around the globe, display work, and get critiques.