



Exam board: Edexcel

Course Code: 1AD0

Outline of course:

The GCSE in Art, Craft and Design is a broad and flexible course that requires students to develop an appreciation of the creative process through a practical response, using a variety of two-dimensional and three-dimensional media, materials, techniques and processes. Students should explore critically how artists, craftspeople and designers from diverse cultures, times and societies have arrived at solutions and communicated meaning using the formal elements. Students should use this knowledge when developing new ideas, recording observations and creating outcomes which fully realise their personal intentions.

All students will be required to keep a sketchbook in which to record their experiences, ideas, experiments and knowledge of art and artists.

To do well in this subject you will need to:

- Have good observational drawing skills.
- Have an open and creative mind.
- Produce a sketchbook which shows the development and investigation of your ideas.
- Explore and write about the work of Artists, Craftspeople and Designers.
- Research various art forms and ideas connected with your work in your own time.

Assessment:

Students will complete two components of work over two academic years.

Component 1 is a portfolio that in total shows explicit coverage of the four assessment objectives. It must include a sustained project evidencing the journey from initial engagement to the realisation of intentions and a selection of further work undertaken during the student's course of study. There is no time limit, this component contributes 60% of the overall GCSE grade, is a 72 mark unit and is a non-exam assessment (NEA).

Component 2 requires for students to respond to their chosen starting point from an externally set assignment paper relating to their subject title, evidencing coverage of all four assessment objectives. Students will have a preparatory period as well as 10 hours supervised time under exam conditions. This component contributes 40% of the GCSE grade and is a 72-mark unit.

Choose this subject if...

You are interested in careers in Architecture, Graphic Design, Teaching, Jewellery Design, Fashion Design, Television work, Shoe Design, Textile Design, Film making, Printing, Pottery, Animation, Illustration, Costume Design, Theatre Design and Garden Design.

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