



Entry Criteria:

- You will need to achieve the pathway criteria, please see the prospectus for further information
- You will need to achieve a Grade 5 or above in a GCSE Art, Textiles or a Technology subject
- Students who have not taken an Art subject at GCSE must see the Curriculum Leader of Art before they apply for the course, to confirm suitability.

Coursework/Examination Requirements:

AS Examinations Percentage of AS Level qualification = 60% and 40%.

A Level Examinations Percentage of overall A Level qualification = 60% and 40%.

Awarding Body/Specifications: EDUQAS

Advanced Level (A Level): The AS course consists of one unit, a portfolio, whilst the A Level course consists of two units, a personal study and a Non Examined Assessment (NEA). **The following units will be covered on this course:**

AS/Year 12

Unit 1 – Personal Creative Enquiry – The emphasis of this unit will be on the development of understanding the skills, using an appropriate range of materials, processes and techniques. Students should produce a collection of materials that exemplifies work carried out. The personal creative enquiry consists of an extended, exploratory project/portfolio and outcomes based on themes and subject matter which are personal and meaningful to the student. The enquiry must integrate critical, practical and theoretical work.

A Level/Year 13

Unit 1 - Personal Investigation – This unit consists of a major, in depth, practical, critical and theoretical investigative project/theme-based portfolio and outcomes with integrated extended written critical and contextual analysis (1000 words minimum).

Unit 2 - Externally Set Assignment (NEA) – This assignment consists of Preparatory experimentation set by the examination board over eight school weeks where you will explore ideas and experiment in different materials. There will be a 15-hour timed examination to create a final outcome connecting to the preparatory work. You will select one of the externally set stimuli and develop it in the form of:

- A personal response
- An issue to address
- A problem to be considered

Advanced Subsidiary (AS): If you choose to study this subject for one year only, you will be awarded the AS Level. You will produce a personal portfolio where you will build up skills through media workshops leading into your own style.

Progression: This qualification can give you access to Higher Education to study courses like Art Foundation, Graphic Design, Film, Television, Photography, Games Design, Textile and Fashion Design, Interior Design, Architecture, Product Design, Furniture Design, Theatre and Stage Design, Teaching and Lecturing.

Opportunities: The Sainsbury Centre offers workshops to students which you can sign up to. We encourage students to work in an Art room during their study time using the available space and after school.