



*"The study of Art makes you see the world from a different viewpoint and encourages you to think in a more abstract way."*

## Fine Art A Level

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### **Is this course for me?**

Fine Art is the making and study of visual art such as painting, printmaking and sculpture. The course covers a variety of processes and skills, which can be developed on a specialist art and design degree course. Analytical and observational skills can be utilised in a wide range of creative environments.

### **Areas of study**

Portfolio 60%, Exam assignment 40%

The First Year:

Component 1: Portfolio

The project covers the formal elements, gathering research, observational drawing and looking at the work of others.

Component 2: Externally Set Assignment

You will select a theme set by the exam board to develop. Following a preparatory period, students will

undertake 10 hours of supervised time to conclude the assignment.

The Second Year:

Component 1: Personal Investigation - an opportunity to develop your own emerging art practice in a more personal way. This component is supplemented by gallery visits and personal response to work of Artists, Photographers and Craftspeople.

Component 2: Externally Set Assignment

The exam board will set a range of starting points and you will choose one of the themes to develop. You will spend time researching your chosen theme through a series of observational drawing, photographs, visiting art galleries/ exhibitions etc.

You are given 15 hours in total to complete a final outcome.

### **Future Opportunities:**

University art-related degree courses, or a pre-degree Foundation Diploma in Art and Design. Art can lead to a career in teaching, fashion, gallery/museum management, architecture, interior design, graphics, film and television production, jewellery design, theatre and set design and production, TV and film, art directing or as an artist or art technician, advertising, photographic journalist, illustrator, costume designer, fine artist, graphic designer, furniture maker and restorer, interior designer, fashion stylist, make up artist, medical illustrator, photographer, screen printer, sign maker, stage and theatre designer, textile designer – the possibilities are wide ranging!

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