

KS5 OCR A-Level Art & Design (Fine Art or Photography)

Curriculum Intent

At A Level students are encouraged to become independent learners while further developing their passion for Fine Art and Photography. Following an introduction to skills in Term 1, students are supported in developing their own Art Journey through a personal portfolio.

It is hoped that students will aim for courses in the Arts beyond A Level. Through a series of workshops and talks from past students we support the progression to further and higher education. Students are given advice on Portfolio preparation and interview technique.

It is our intent that students become confident practitioners, fluent in a range of skills and effective critical thinkers who use their developing knowledge to question and challenge art and ideas effectively and with reason.

Assessment, Marking and Feedback

60% Coursework; Personal Portfolio Internally assessed externally moderated

40% Externally set Assignment Internally assessed externally moderated

The Related study comprising a 1500 word dissertation in a topic that supports the Personal Portfolio Internally assessed externally moderated

Work is marked against Four OCR Assessment Objectives:

AO1 Developing ideas

AO2 Review and Refining ideas and materials

AO3 Recording ideas

AO4 Realising intentions

Staff support students with feedback through individual tutorials and group workshops.

Students take their PPE in term 2 of year 13.

Homework

At A Level, students are required to work in the Art rooms during non - contact periods. They also have access to the Art rooms after school. This provides support in specialist art spaces with access to equipment and materials. It is essential that A Level students develop their love for art outside of school by visiting galleries and museums and developing an eye for good quality images. A student who arrives prepared with ideas can maximise on teacher feedback.

Links to National Curriculum / Syllabus Specifications

OCR A-Level Specification

[AS and A Level - Art and Design - H200, H600](#)

Exam Support & Revision Resources

OCR sample materials

<https://www.ocr.org.uk/Images/170210-specification-accredited-a-level-gce-art-and-design-h600-h606.pdf>

Extracurricular and Enrichment Opportunities

- After school support sessions
- Access to the department during student non - contact time
- Visit to London Gallery Term 3 and term 5
- Past students visit the department to support with portfolio development and University application
- Enter work for competitions

Interested to know more?

To read:

- Art exhibition reviews
- Books on your chosen artist

To watch:

- [National Gallery Imaginarium](#)
- BBC I player
- OCR A Level Fine Art Sketchbook Development: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q0J-H5XzDZ4>
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To visit:

- National Gallery London
- Tate Britain London
- Tate Modern London
- National Portrait Gallery London
- V and A London
- Turner Contemporary Margate