

A Level Art and Design: Eduqas

Overview: A Level Art and Design is an engaging course that encourages creativity, critical thinking, and a deep appreciation for art, craft, and design.

This course nurtures the development of intellectual, imaginative, creative, and intuitive capabilities. Students gain the skills needed to analyze, experiment, and express their ideas through a wide variety of media, from traditional materials to digital formats. At our UTC, students benefit from industry-linked projects and access to modern facilities, allowing them to explore art and design within a practical, real-world context.

Why Study A Level Art and Design?

This course enables students to explore their creativity and develop their individual artistic style, preparing them for further study or careers in the creative industries. It is ideal for those with a passion for art and a desire to express ideas visually. Studying Art and Design at our UTC allows students to collaborate with industry professionals, gain insights into contemporary art practices, and experience how art interacts with technology. This unique approach helps students understand the role of art in society and the creative economy, providing a strong foundation for a future in design, architecture, media, or fine arts.

Potential Career Pathways:

A Level Art and Design is a gateway to numerous creative careers, including:-

- Graphic design
- Illustration
- Fashion
- Architecture
- Interior design
- Fine arts.

It also prepares students for higher education courses in art, design, and media. The course builds a portfolio that is essential for university applications and equips students with the skills needed to work in galleries, museums, or as independent artists.

Skills Developed:

- Intellectual, imaginative, and creative capabilities
- Investigative, analytical, and experimental skills
- Aesthetic understanding and critical judgment
- Practical and technical skills across various media
- Development of personal ideas and outcomes
- Understanding the relationship between art, craft, and design
- Exploration of art in contemporary and historical contexts
- Awareness of real-world applications and creative industry links

Exams and Assessment:

- A Level Art and Design is assessed through two key components:
- Personal Investigation:
- Consists of a major in-depth project with practical and theoretical elements based on a theme of personal significance.
- Includes an extended written element of at least 1,000 words, relating to the student's practical work.
- Assessed internally by the teacher and externally moderated.
- No time limit; the duration is set by the centre.

Externally Set Assignment:

- Begins with a preparatory study period starting on or after 1st February in the second year, using visual and written stimuli provided by Eduqas.
- Students choose a starting point, develop their ideas, and prepare critical, practical, and theoretical work.
- Includes a 15-hour sustained focus period under supervised conditions to complete the final piece.
- Assessed internally and externally moderated.

Entry Requirements:

- Grade 5 GCSE in Art or a related subject
- Grade 5 GCSE in English Language and Maths

