

Art and Design (Textile Design)

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Academic Requirements

As long as you have studied Art and/or Design Technology at GCSE and achieved at least a grade C, you will be a suitable recruit for the AS and A Level in Textiles. If you have studied Textiles in addition, it is an added bonus! This course is suited to students who have a particular interest in designing and making individual and original pieces of textiles for fashion furnishing or fine art. You will be expected to research in depth and develop ideas on paper and fabric to evolve quality finished work.

Course Specification: Edexcel Art and Design - Textile Design

A Level (9TE0)

Component 1 Practical coursework and personal study 60% Component 2 Externally Set Assignment 40%

Why Textiles?

Textile design is sub divided into the following three disciplines:

Textiles for Interiors Fine Art Textiles Fashion Textiles

Students will be required to work in one or more disciplines and will be taught by enthusiastic and supportive staff who have many years' experience in many areas of textile design. We will actively encourage studying current trends in the fashion and textile industry, examine contemporary practitioners, and produce creative and experimental garments and textile outcomes. Students will enjoy and appreciate the opportunity to have the freedom to experiment, develop their skills as a designer, and explore options in many different media using conventional and unconventional





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processes. You will learn how to gather imagery to inspire you to create textile work or garments, and through the critical analysis of the work of textile artists and designers you will be introduced to a range of skills and concepts to broaden your vocabulary and knowledge. You will be taught many textile processes from the 'basics' to the 'advanced' and learning is encouraged through set projects and experimental workshop sessions in the studio.

What can this course lead on to?

The A level qualification combines effectively with other subject areas and enables students to apply for a range of degree subjects or an art foundation diploma course. The fashion and textiles industry generates £40bn per annum in the UK and employees over a million people. It provides a host of career opportunities including fashion design, textile design, costume design, garment technology, textile technology, pattern cutting, tailoring, illustration, interior design, surface design, accessories design, footwear designer, fashion marketing & promotion, fashion merchandising, retailing, management, journalism and styling.