



Music

Why study Music?

This course is designed for students looking to further their study of academic music, performance and composition. You will improve your performance, composition and listening skills. You will focus on five areas of study: Vocal Music, Instrumental Music, Music for Film, Popular Music and Jazz, Fusions and New Directions.

What skills will I gain from studying Music?

You will be expected to perform a minimum of grade 6 standard pieces. The composition is split into two parts: a free composition and compositional skills. The first allows you to develop creative and imaginative musicianship while the second teaches the composition methods used by famous composers such as Bach, Mozart and Beethoven.

Having studied Music what opportunities will be open to me?

Students studying A level music at Hazelwick have gone on to study at Guildhall School of Music and Drama and BIMM (Brighton Institute of Modern Music) to name a few. A level music is unique in that it is a pathway to many different music qualifications. This can lead to careers within the music industry, music journalism and music production as well as careers in performance.

Entry requirements

Students need to be of a minimum grade 5 standard on their chosen instrument and have a grade 6 in GCSE Music

Exam Board – Edexcel

Specification code/no. 9MU0

Topics covered in Year 12 and Year 13

The Edexcel syllabus for A level music divides the course into three components: performance (30%), composition (30%) and listening (40%). The performance and composition modules are coursework completed in year 13 whilst the listening component takes the form of an exam at the end of the two year course.

Listening: Popular Music and Jazz, Fusions and New Directions, Vocal Music, Instrumental Music and Music for Film