



AS / A2 Art & Design

WHY TAKE ART AND DESIGN?

If you want to study art, crafts and design in Higher Education, or if you are thinking of a career where an art background is relevant – such as publishing, theatre, museum or gallery work, or if you have a keen interest and aptitude for the subject, then this is the course for you.

WHAT ARE THE KEY AREAS OF STUDY?

The AS and A2 courses comprise two units each - coursework units and end of course exam projects. All of these units allow personal responses, and staff will encourage you to work to your individual strengths. Drawing is at the core of what you do and you will be taught a variety of ways to capture and express your ideas. Understanding and commenting on the work of other artists and designers is vital and you will be encouraged to participate in gallery visits to enrich your own art practice.

WHAT SKILLS WILL I NEED AND DEVELOP?

During the course you will learn how to interpret and convey ideas, how to develop your imagination and creativity and how to increase your analytical, experimental and documentary skills. You will also learn how to express yourself in a unique and personal way.

ARE THERE ANY SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS I NEED?

You will need to have an interest in Art and Design and have at least a grade C GCSE in an Art and Design subject or the equivalent. A prior understanding of the basic elements of art, craft and design and commitment to the subject are also major requirements for success.

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

Informal assessment takes place throughout an assignment and there is a formal assessment at the end of each unit. At the end of the course you will exhibit all your work. It will then be finally assessed and externally moderated.

PRIESTLEY EXTRA

As well as research trips and gallery visits, we invite speakers from universities, and from industry to talk to you about career possibilities. So if you enjoy being creative, making work that is personal and unique and you are hard working then AS and A2 Art and Design is the course for you.