

Introduction

The Art & Design A Level course will allow you to develop the skills you already have to a higher level, as well as introduce you to new media, techniques and approaches which will stimulate your creativity and imagination. The course encourages you to work independently, extending your analytical thinking as you explore the work of other artists and designers to inspire your own artwork. Continual feedback on your progress will

support the refinement of your work, allowing you to take it in new and exciting directions. What we offer at Friesland is specialist expertise across the Art department in fine art, painting, drawing and sculpture, 3d design, textiles and photography. Our smaller class sizes allow us to offer truly individualised tuition and our dedicated A Level art studio means you always have a base to work in during both lessons and study periods.

Content

In the Art, Craft and Design A level course there are two examined components.

In Term 1 - You will be taught a wide range of skills and are then encouraged to develop your own strengths culminating in a series of portfolio pieces and personal sketchbooks.

In Term 2 - You create your own personal response to a chosen theme.

In Term 3/4 - You will start **COMPONENT 1 A Personal Investigation** where you choose an idea, issue, concept or theme on which to base your work and then write a supporting study of between 1000-3000 words. This work will continue into Year 13 and is worth 60% of the overall course mark.

In Term 5/6 You will start **COMPONENT 2 an externally set assignment**, culminating in a 15 hour supervised examination period. This is worth 40% of the overall course mark.



This course is ideal for students who enjoy various areas of art and design, who would also like the opportunity to develop new skills in a wide range of techniques. Students who have taken art at Friesland achieve places on a wide range of Art and Design related degree courses, many directly from school without having to first take the Art Foundation course.

These courses include:

Fine Art, Textiles, Product Design, Spatial Design, Graphic Design, Fashion Merchandising, Contour Fashion, Architecture, Car Design, Digital Animation and Illustration.

This is why we are proud of our course - our students are given the experience and skills to enable them to choose a very broad range of rewarding creative careers.

Course Requirement

6 in Art at GCSE

Some students have been offered places on the course without this, dependent on an interview with Ms Nash, their other exam grades, commitment and portfolio.

Course Leader

Ms J Nash