

Link to exam board specification:

[Edexcel A level Art and Design 2015 | Pearson qualifications](#)

Course Overview:

The specification encourages candidates to:

- Engage critically with issues and current affairs as well as develop exciting work based on their own creative insight.
- Use synthesis and develop skills which need to be explored in several creative ways.
- Think and work independently; research information and strategies to help complete aspects of their work.
- Time-manage workload by working in and out of the Art Department and using feedback to develop ideas independently.

Areas of Study:

Students will learn about:

- Selecting specific areas of Art to show they have a passion for a range of specialisms.
- Combining areas of interest, techniques, and processes to experiment with a wider range of skills, producing a portfolio showing their creative enthusiasm.
- Analysing artists' work and understanding how to respond to it in studies and writing.
- Investigating a topic in depth, throughout their portfolio, so concepts are fully understood then producing outcomes focussing on specialisms.

Course Requirements:

The minimum requirements are a 4/Pass in a Level 2 Art & Design qualification. An additional Grade 4 in English will also be useful.

Where can this course take me?

Art complements many subjects and opens many career paths. Specific Art careers could be in architecture, film and theatre, curation, design, illustration, and visual communication, as well as developing pathways into advertising and marketing. If students are working towards a future degree in the Arts Fashion, illustration, visual communication, Fine Art, Curation and Conservation are a few examples.

Year 12:

- Portraiture, Product, Documentary.
- Street, Environmental and Fine Art Photography.
- Still and Moving Images.
- Personal Investigation.

Year 13:

- Street, Environmental and Fine Art Photography.
- Personal Investigation.
- Still and Moving Images.
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