



Abbey Gate College
Sixth Form



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Art and Design

AQA

Why study this at A Level?

Many graduate employers seek to recruit people who are lateral thinkers and creative problem solvers.

These qualities are natural to artists and designers and therefore make them an attractive asset, particularly to the UK creative industries sector.

This sector relies on people who can think differently, formulate questions and solve problems.

Course Content and Assessment

The Art Department welcomes visiting artists into the classroom and the students have the invaluable opportunity to work alongside a range of practitioners, extending their knowledge of techniques and applying new skills.

They will also have the opportunity to go on organised gallery visits.

Skills obtained

- *Imagination and creativity*
- *Critical awareness of self and external factors and the ability to be reflective*
- *Interpersonal and social skills*
- *An appreciation of diversity*
- *Creative problem solving*
- *Teamwork*
- *Independent working skills*

Our students have gone on to pursue a number of related university courses including Art Foundation at Manchester Met, Fashion Foundation at Manchester Met, Fashion Marketing, Knitwear at Manchester Met, Fashion Design Central St Martins.

Assessment

Component 1 - Personal Investigation

- *No time limit*
- *96 marks*
- *60% of A Level*

Component 2 - Externally Set Assignment

- *Preparatory period+ 15 hours supervised time*
- *96 marks*
- *40% of A Level*