

Product Design: Textiles

Examination Board: AQA
Qualification: A & AS Level

Why should you follow this course?

- You have successfully completed a GCSE course and wish to gain a broad view of Design and Technology.
- You wish to design and make products.
- You are interested in fashion and interior spaces.
- You wish to gain a greater understanding of the development of design and technology and its impact on all of our lives.
- You enjoy creatively solving problems.
- You are self-motivated, able to work independently and are determined to work hard.
- You can work to strict deadlines.

What topics/aspects will you cover during the course?

During the course you will:

- Experiment with a range of materials, processes and technologies in order to develop a range of creative and innovative solutions.
- Build your knowledge of CAD CAM and incorporate the use of it within your project.
- Design and make products to solve problems.
- Investigate materials and associated manufacturing processes.
- Gain a greater appreciation of the relationship between design, materials, manufacture and marketing, including industrial applications.
- Develop an appreciation of past and present textile designers.
- Develop a portfolio of work that can be used for university interviews.
- Enter project work into national competitions.

What teaching and learning methods will be used?

Traditional teacher led activities, individual research, product analysis exercises, small group work and presentations as well as design and make tasks.

How will the course be assessed?

- Modular examinations
- Design and make tasks

What can you do when you have your qualification?

University/employment - Successful completion of this course will allow you to apply for Further and Higher Education courses in a variety of design related areas. It will provide you with a portfolio of evidence which can be taken to interviews.

Achieving this qualification will allow you to pursue and develop a career in a variety of areas such as Fashion design and Marketing, Costume and Theatre Design, Interior Design, Product Design, Contemporary Applied Arts.

AS COURSE CONTENT

In Year 12 you will study **Unit 1** which is based primarily on Materials and Components.

Unit 2: Learning Through Designing and Making

Coursework is based on the development of a design and make portfolio. This will be achieved through mini projects which require you to design and make fabric swatches and products which relate to either fashion or interior spaces. This will provide a portfolio of work for assessment and will allow you to develop new skills and knowledge relating to textile materials and technologies.

This will take approximately 50 hours.

A2 COURSE CONTENT

In Year 13 you will study **Unit 3** which is based primarily on Design and Manufacturing issues. (25% of A Level)

Unit 4: Designing and Making Practice

Coursework requiring you to develop an individual design brief and design and manufacture a product relating to either fashion or interior spaces. You will have approximately 60 hours. It will allow you to draw upon the skills gained within AS Level. (25% of A Level)



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