



DRAYTON MANOR HIGH SCHOOL YEAR 10 & 11 COURSES

Subject Art and Design

Course Level GCSE

Examining Body Edexcel

What will I be studying?

The Personal Portfolio (Coursework) and the ESA (Exam). You will produce work that considers the Elements of Art

- Create work in response to two different themes which are set by the Art department and a third theme in Year 11 which is set by the exam board
- Undertake visual research using primary and secondary sources
- Organise ideas and realise outcomes
- Record observations
- Know and understand a range of work from contemporary practice, past practice and different cultures
- Understand and use appropriately and safely a range of materials, equipment, processes

What skills will I develop?

- Increased understanding of art, craft and design
- The ability to investigate, analyse and experiment
- Practical skills to express ideas and use visual language
- Communication skills, working with others, improving own learning performance, problem solving
- The ability to observe, select and interpret
- ICT skills
- An appreciation of the Elements of Art and how to develop an independent study from a starting point
- How to use a range of materials, tools and equipment

How will the course be structured?

60% Coursework and 40% Exam (ESA)

Coursework (Personal Portfolio) 60%

- This comprises of two projects completed over the two years. All class work and homework form the basis of these units and involve the study of a variety of topics executed in a wide range of media
- Work includes a body of research, supporting studies and development work leading to one or more outcomes or to a variety of resolutions

ESA (Externally Set Assignment) 40%

- Students have a preparatory period of 10 weeks to create work in response to a theme set by the exam board. The journal of work should cover the four assessment objectives and will support the development towards the creation of a final piece in a timed test of 10 hours

How will I be assessed?

Coursework (Personal Portfolio) 60%

Assessment is on-going throughout all projects. Overall assessment is made at the final marking stage at the end of Year 11. All four assessment objectives must be covered. Selected tasks will count towards a set number of hours of Controlled Assessment

Exam (ESA) 40%

Assessment is made after the final day of the 10-hour exam. All four assessment objectives must be covered. A sample of both coursework and exam work are selected by the exam board for external moderation. The work is also displayed. Candidates involved in this process will have their work displayed and externally moderated. All other work is made available

If you have any further questions about taking this course, who should you speak to?

1. Students who are currently undertaking this course
2. Your Art Teacher
3. Head of Art – Miss McClean