



DRAYTON MANOR HIGH SCHOOL

ADVANCED LEVEL COURSE 2022-2024

Film Studies

Specification OCR

Entry Requirements

Grade 5/Merit in Media Studies Level 2 or a Grade 5 in English Language or English Literature GCSE if Media not studied.

What do I need to know or be able to do before taking this course?

Students choosing this course should be passionate about Film, both watching and the critical evaluation of film from different cultural and historical periods. The ability to apply a critical and analytical approach will be developed but should already be established, in order to evaluate the influence that the film has on our society within the coursework element of the course.

What will I learn on this course?

- How different texts are constructed and delve into narrative, ideology and filmmaking theories
- The key elements of film, meaning and responses and critical debates in film.
- Analytical, creative and communication skills to explain theoretical concerns and academic report writing which shows understanding of how films achieve their impact supplement these.

How is the course structured?

Unit	Title	Weighting	Assessment Type
1	Film History	35%	Exam
2	Critical Approaches to Film	35%	Exam
3	Making a Short Film	30%	Coursework

What skills will I develop by doing this course?

During the course you will learn a variety of content, from key elements of film, meaning and responses and critical debates in film. The course demands analytical, creative and communication skills. Theoretical concerns and academic report writing which shows understanding of how films achieve their impact supplement these.

It is a wide ranging course that will develop numerous transferable skills such as:

- Communication skills – building confidence with public speaking and presentations.
- Group/social/team building skills.
- Imagination and creativity using various mediums used within film
- Various analytical skills

What kind of student is this course suitable for?

The course will appeal to students who have an interest in:

- Various media sectors such as, publishing, games, film or radio
- human behaviour and different cultures

- Analysis and interpreting texts
- Design and the way things work within industry

What could I go on to do at the end of my course?

Students GCE Media studies have access to a wide range of possible career and higher education opportunities. These may include but are not limited to:

- Film and Media Studies,
- Broadcasting Media,
- Marketing,
- Animation,
- Communications and Journalism