

Photography

A Level

Exam Board: EDUQAS

Subject Specific Criteria:

- Grade 5 in Art or Photography at GCSE (or other related technology subject or ICT (Grade 5 or Merit)
- Grade 5 in Maths and English Language.

Components Studied:

The components are internally assessed and externally moderated:

Component 1: Personal investigation:

1. A portfolio of practical work showing a personal response to a starting point, brief, scenario, or stimulus.
2. A related study of continuous prose with a guided minimum of 1,000 words.

Component 2: Externally set task:

A range of questions set by EDUQAS. You will produce a portfolio of preliminary studies and a 15-hour Controlled Test personal response.

Course Information:

You will learn how to study photographers' work critically and use this to help develop your own ideas, approaches and techniques. You will undertake work using both digital and analogue photographic methods.

Students will leave the course with both a qualification and a varied portfolio of project work which can be taken to job or university interviews.

Skills Required:

- Creative / observational eye
- Working with mixed media
- Analytical writing
- Creative thinking and presentation of work
- Some working knowledge of digital editing (Photoshop)
- A good camera is essential

Futures:

Many students wishing to pursue photography further could progress to a Pre-Degree Foundation Course in Art and Design or Photography followed by a University Degree in the creative specialism of their choice. Such courses include Fine Art, Illustration, Textiles, Interior Design, Fashion Design, Product Design, Animation, Furniture Design, Jewellery Design, Computer Games Design, Theatre Design and Architecture.

Subject Enrichment:

Students are encouraged to attend exhibitions at local and national galleries and museums. There is potential for a trip to London to experience the wealth of galleries on offer.

