

# ART AND DESIGN

**QUALIFICATION:** BTEC LEVEL 3 NATIONAL EXTENDED  
CERTIFICATE (1 A LEVEL)

The BTEC LEVEL 3 National Extended Certificate in Art and Design provides pupils with opportunities to develop personal responses to ideas, observations, experiences, environments and cultures in practical, critical and contextual forms. Pupils will experience a broad area of study and develop skills in a variety of areas. They will be encouraged to use their creative skill to work independently whilst under the guidance of experienced and enthusiastic teachers. A lively imagination and a willingness to experiment with ideas and processes will help a student to succeed. This qualification is equivalent to 1 A Level.

## **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:**

The equivalent of three 4-9 grades at GCSE (P -D\* BTEC) as well as a Pass or grade 4 in Art or Textiles.

## **HOW COURSE IS ASSESSED:**

Two units are internally assessed and two units externally set and assessed.

## **WHERE NEXT?**

Learners can go on to Degree level when this course has been combined with other BTEC Qualifications.

## **JOB OPPORTUNITIES:**

Depending on the other qualifications learners have taken, they can progress to sectors that use and value visual communication skills such as marketing, media and design as well as a broad range of Art & Design specialisms.

## **COURSE CONTENT:**

Pupils will complete four Units which are teacher led but require strong pupil input and creativity. Pupils will be given a brief, similar to one found within a design industry environment and are expected to produce independent personal responses. Pupils will be introduced to a variety of techniques and processes and are expected to record ideas as their work develops. Skills covered include painting, drawing, 3D, graphics, collage and printmaking.

The four Units covered are;

Unit 1: Visual Recording and Communication

Unit 2: Critical and Contextual Studies in Art and Design

Unit 3: The Creative Process

Unit 12: Fine Art Materials, Techniques and Processes