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Product Design - Textiles



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QUALIFICATION: A-LEVEL

Awarding Body:

AQA

Length of Course:

2 Years

Students will develop intellectual curiosity about the design and manufacture of products. They will explore, design, create and evaluate innovative solutions in response to realistic design contexts. They will also gain knowledge and understanding of the core technical, designing and making principles for fashion and textiles. With a greater focus on fashion it makes it more appealing and relevant for higher education and a career in fashion.

Year 12

AS Level

At the end of the first year students sit one exam. They are assessed on:

- Technical principles
- Designing and making principles
- Specialist knowledge

The exam is 2 hours and is worth 80 marks. It accounts for 50% of AS

Non Examination Assessment (NEA)

Students will be required to undertake a substantial design and make task. The context of this task will be set by the AQA.

With reference to the context, students will be expected to identify a specific task that meets the needs and wants of a user, client or market.

Evidence will take the form of a written or electronic portfolio plus models, test pieces and final outcome and will be approximately 30-35 hours in duration.

Assessment criteria to include:

- exploration
- designing
- making
- analysis and evaluation

This is worth 80 marks and accounts for 50% of AS level.

Year 13

A-Level

At the end of the second year of the course Students sit two exams. They are assessed on:

- Technical principles
- Designing and making principles
- Specialist knowledge

Each exam is 2 hours and both are worth 100 marks. Each of these account for 25% of A-Level.

Paper 1 is a mixture of short answer, multiple choice and extended response questions

Paper 2 is split into two sections:

Section A: tests the student's ability to analyse with up to six short answer questions based on visual stimulus of products.

Section B: tests the student's knowledge of commercial manufacture and consists of two extended response questions.

Non Examination Assessment (NEA)

Students will be required to undertake a substantial design and make task. The context of this task will be determined by the student.

Evidence will take the form of a written or electronic portfolio plus models, test pieces and final outcome and will be approximately 40 hours in duration.

Assessment criteria to include:

- exploration
- designing
- making
- analysis and evaluation

This is worth 100 marks and accounts for 50% of A-Level

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

The course is intended to form a progression from GCSE where students have studied Textiles. Students with a minimum Grade 5/B at GCSE will find the transition to this course is achievable.

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