Design and Technology A Level



Fashion and Textiles

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Design and Technology Textiles:

The Textiles course offers students an opportunity to gain a positive experience from working with a variety of textile materials. The practical problem solving processes encourage independent learning, creativity and innovation, and students produce individual products of high quality. Textiles provides wide opportunities ranging from fashion and aesthetics to industrial uses of textiles, and from creative and individual work to aspects of manufacturing and industrial and commercial practice. The students will cover several topics including the study of materials and components, the history of textile design, current design trends, fashion and textiles layout and presentation, textiles innovation, use of ICT and the processes and manufacture of textiles products, to name a few. They will be required to keep up to date with current design issues, and visits to galleries, textile retail outlets, exhibitions and manufacturers will be



JOINT HEADS OF **DEPARTMENT**

Liske Russell de Boer

EMAIL ADDRESS

EXAM BOARD AQA

CAREER PATHWAYS

- Stage and Costume Design
- Fashion and Textiles Design
- Advertising and Marketing
- Art Foundation
- Fashion and Promotion Journalism
- **Fashion Illustration**

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PROGRAMME OF STUDY

Component 1:

Core Technical
Principles

25% of total A Level

Written exam paper 2 hours

Component 2:

Additional Specialis Knowledge

25% of total A Level

Written exam paper

2 hours

Component 3:

Coursework Project Design and Make Project

50% of total A Level 45 hours

Entry Requirements

Five level 9-5 passes at GCSE including
English, and at least a level 5 in a D&T subject at GCSE level.
Candidates who have not completed GCSE
D&T but have achieved level 9-5 in Art will also be considered for this course. They should contact the Head of D&T for further information

For a full breakdown of the unit topics and assessment requirements please contact Nick Hull.

EXAMINATION RESULTS

Five year average: A*-B 83%; A*-C 93%.

STUDENT DESTINATIONS

Destinations for Further Education have recently included:

Nottingham Trent University, Manchester University, Central St Martins, Camberwell School of Art, Chelsea School of Art, Ravensbourne College of Art and Design, London College of Fashion, Edinburgh University, School of Fashion Design, Apprenticeship at Anderson and Sheppard – Savile Row Tailors.

ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES

All of our projects allow the students opportunities for extension and enrichment activities. Working in smaller groups at lunchtime, afterschool and for extended sessions on Saturdays, students have worked in: Digital design; Pattern cutting and tailoring workshops; CAD/CAM laser cutting and Decorative finishing techniques.



RECENT EDUCATIONAL VISITS AND WORKSHOPS

- V&A Hollywood Glamour, David Bowie retrospective and Revolution
- John Lobb shoe and boot-makers
- McCulloch and Wallace haberdashers
- Barnett Lawson haberdashers
- Inspired by Design graduate showcase
- 100% Design Professional show case trade exhibition at Earls Court

- Anderson and Sheppard –
 Savile Row Tailors
- Vauxhall City Farm fibres and spinning and dyeing natural yarns workshop
- Royal College of Art graduate show and guided tour
- Inspired by Design graduate showcase
- Chelsea School of Art graduate show