



Art and Design – Textiles

One year AS/Two year A level.

This course is aimed at introducing students to the various skills required to create exciting and innovative textile designs through an Art and Design approach.

Requirements:

The College minimum to start an advanced level course is one grade B and four grade Cs at GCSE. Students wishing to undertake this course require grade B or above in either GCSE Textiles or Art and Design. The student will also be expected to meet the Average Points Score for this subject. In the event of oversubscription, priority will be given to students with the B grade or above in Textiles.

This subject will focus on:

- combining a variety of both traditional and experimental materials in order to create designs and art work; and
- experimenting with different elements of constructed, dyed and printed textiles in order to produce exciting designs for both fashion and furnishing fabrics as well as one-off innovative pieces.

You can expect to:

- collect exciting and stimulating source material;
- use materials in a creative way;
- design for different textile based purposes;
- research the work of designers and artists; and
- produce creative outcomes.

Method of assessment:

Assessment is by coursework (60%) and a creative practical examination (40%).

Progression:

This is a new course, however, students studying in this subject area in the past have progressed onto a number of courses including Foundation Art and Design and Degrees in fashion-based courses including Fashion Design, Fashion Marketing and Merchandising, Styling and Textile Design. After A Levels, Havering Sixth Form College offers an Art and Design Foundation Diploma which is designed for students who have completed an Art and Design A Level subject and will facilitate progression to appropriate Higher Education courses.

Other information:

A basic range of media and materials will be provided. However, students will need to purchase a range of materials in order to do further work outside of lessons which they will be advised of on entry to the College.

Student Success at Havering Sixth Form College:

Lori West (ex Albany) said of the previous A Level Product Design (Textiles) course: "I really enjoyed studying this course, it enlightened me on so many different aspects of the Fashion/Textile industry. Lessons were very exciting and there was a good range of both practical and theoretical work."

Textiles had a 100% pass rate at A Level in 2009.