



## **BTEC Extended Certificate in Art and Design**

*One year vocational Art and Design course, equivalent to two GCSEs.*

Students will combine this course with up to four other GCSEs. GCSE Photography and Graphics may be particularly suitable to form a package of art subjects.

Art and Design is a visual subject. It is about developing practical skills in 2D and 3D and about gaining an understanding of how artists and designers work. The course will help you develop an understanding of art, encourage your analytical and evaluative skills and, above all, develop your practical skills.

### **Requirements:**

The College minimum to start a GCSE course is four GCSEs at grade D or above. Students wishing to undertake this subject require grade D in GCSE Art and Design or relevant practical subject e.g. DT Graphics. The student will also be expected to meet the Average Points Score for this subject.

### **Progression:**

You may be able to progress on to AS Level courses or BTEC Extended Diploma or National Diploma courses. Many students have successfully progressed on to other courses.

### **Other information:**

A number of trips to galleries and exhibitions will be arranged to help you. You will be expected to have a range of media to use for practical homework and you will need to buy sketchbooks for your coursework.

### **This subject will focus on:**

- 2D and 3D visual language;
- materials, techniques and technology;
- working to a set brief; and
- contextual references in Art and Design.

### **You can expect to:**

- complete projects;
- complete observational and imaginative drawing in a range of media;
- explore a range of 2D and 3D media and techniques;
- explore a range of outcomes which might include sculpture, painting, package, graphics; and
- learn how to work to a brief.

### **Method of assessment:**

Assessment is by coursework portfolio.