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“She has left Milton Abbey with confidence, friends for life and a fantastic set of results.”

Parent of Sixth Form leaver

Introduction

I am excited to share our Sixth Form course choices with you; whether you're a Lower School pupil continuing your education at Milton Abbey or joining us in the Sixth Form.



We continue to offer one of the widest range of courses available in the independent sector. We will work tirelessly to find the right combination of subjects and course types to suit every student – whatever your interests, strengths and plans for the future. We review the courses available every year based on trends and student interests.

The choices you make now will determine the options that are available to you when you finish school. It is vitally important that you make your choices in an informed and sensible way, so that you can secure the future that you want.

Ultimately, the various routes that are open to you lead to a common destination – the world of work. But how you get there, and which parts of it are open to you, depends on the choices you make now.

As well as our excellent academic offer, you will also find the Milton Abbey Sixth Form provides the space and responsibility for you to grow and thrive as a person.

You'll be able to play a huge range of team and individual sports, take part in varied extra-curricular and social activities, and be trusted as a Sixth Former to take more responsibility for your time and to act as a role model in the school.

I look forward to working with you to make your time in Sixth Form successful, satisfying and enjoyable.

Dr Josh Bradbury | Head of Sixth Form

What we offer

Our wide range of Sixth Form courses can be combined in different ways to best suit the interests and needs of each student.

Course types

A-Level | Academically-focused learning with in-depth subject development

BTEC Extended Certificate | Practical subjects with a workload equivalent to one full A-Level

BTEC Diploma | Career-focussed practical learning with a workload equivalent to two full A-Levels

BTEC Extended Diploma | Highly-specific practical learning, with academic development of the theoretical aspects of the subject, equivalent to three full A-Levels

Course combinations

Students should choose combinations that will allow them to manage their workloads effectively. These combinations are recommended:

- 3 A-Levels
- 2 A-Levels + 1 BTEC Extended Certificate
- 1 A-Level + 1 BTEC Diploma
- 1 BTEC Diploma + 1 BTEC Extended Certificate
- 1 BTEC Extended Diploma
- 4 A-Levels or 2 BTEC Diplomas are possible in special cases
- The Extended Project Qualification or Core Maths course are also available for those who wish to expand their studies

Current pupils must talk through choices with your tutor, subject teachers, and the Head of Sixth Form to establish which combination will best suit you. As a new joiner to our Sixth Form, we will work with you to select the best option as part of the Admissions process.

Subject Pods: To help your course selection

The biggest reason for students not getting onto university courses of their choice or a preferred career is inappropriate Sixth Form choices.

In order to help with good choice-making, it is strongly recommended that students pick their subjects from within 'Subjects Pods', which are designed to ensure good combinations to facilitate opportunities in different fields after Sixth Form.

The many courses offered at Sixth Form level have been grouped into broad subject or career areas, to ensure that subject choices support one another and that they provide access to relevant higher education options and career paths.

Please note that not all combinations within each pod may be possible, as your choices must also be made in conjunction with the 'Subject Columns' to ensure availability.



Pod 1 | Land-Based Studies

Sixth Form Courses

- Countryside Management Diploma
- Countryside Management Extended Diploma
- Horse Management Diploma
- Enterprise Extended Certificate
- Geography
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Core Maths

Higher Education

- Agriculture
- Estate Management
- Real Estate
- Conservation & Ecology
- Equine Studies

Careers

- Farm/Estate Management
- Agriculture
- Equine Management
- Real Estate
- Property Development
- Conservation
- Gamekeeping

Pod 2 | Hospitality

Sixth Form Courses

- Hospitality Diploma
- Hospitality Extended Diploma
- Enterprise Extended Certificate
- Fine Art
- Photography
- Core Maths

Higher Education

- Event Management
- Tourism Management
- Hospitality & Hotel Management
- Culinary Arts

Careers

- Catering: Cheffing or Front of House
- Hotel & Restaurant Management
- Tourism
- Event Management
- Promotions

Pod 3 | Humanities

Sixth Form Courses

- English Literature
- History
- French
- Spanish
- Religious Studies
- Psychology
- Geography
- History of Art

Higher Education

- Politics
- International Relations
- History or Archaeology
- Modern Foreign Languages
- English Literature
- Philosophy & Ethics

Careers

- Teaching
- Media & Communications
- Politics
- Civil Service
- Business & Management

Pod 4 | Creative

Sixth Form Courses

- Fine Art
- 3D Design Diploma
- English Literature
- Music Technology
- Mathematics
- Physics
- Photography
- Drama Diploma
- Music Diploma
- Film & TV Visual Effects Diploma
- Games Development Extended Certificate
- Fashion Design & Production Diploma
- Core Maths

Higher Education

- Performing Arts
- Music or Music Production
- Communications, Marketing & Advertising
- Product Design
- Art & Photography
- Animation

Careers

- Brand Management or Advertising
- Music Performance and Production
- Acting or Technical Theatre
- Film-making and Animation

Pod 5 | Science & Sport

Sixth Form Courses

- Biology
- Physics
- Chemistry
- Mathematics
- Geography
- Enterprise Extended Certificate
- Sport Diploma
- Sport Extended Diploma
- Psychology
- Core Maths

Higher Education

- Neuroscience
- Psychology
- Sport Coaching & Management
- Engineering
- Natural Sciences
- Mathematics

Careers

- Neuroscience
- Psychology
- Engineering
- The Sports Industry
- Scientific Research

Pod 6 | Business & Entrepreneurship

Sixth Form Courses

- Economics
- Mathematics
- Geography
- French
- Spanish
- History
- Psychology
- Enterprise & Entrepreneurship Extended Certificate
- Core Maths

Higher Education

- Business & Management
- Entrepreneurship
- Marketing
- International Business

Careers

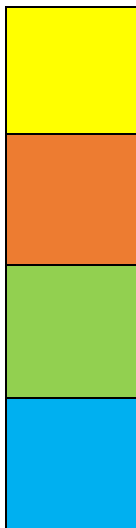
- Business & Management
- Entrepreneurship
- Real Estate
- Property Management
- Finance & Accountancy

Subject Columns: Selecting your courses

To help you study the right combination of courses, with a manageable workload and within complementary subject pods, we split all our Sixth Form courses into five Subject Columns.

A	B	C	D	E
Biology	History	English Literature	Maths	Psychology
Art	French	Geography	Spanish	History of Art
Photography	Physics	Chemistry	Core Maths (AS-Level)	
Games Production	Economics		Religious Studies	
Enterprise & Entrepreneurship	Performing Arts	3D Design	Performing Arts	3D Design
Music Technology	Film & TV VFX	Music	Film & TV VFX	Music
Extended Countryside Management	Equine Management	Equine Management	Countryside Management	Countryside Management
Extended Sport	Sport	Fashion Design & Production	Sport	Fashion Design & Production
Extended Hospitality	Hospitality		Hospitality	

Colour codes



These are A-Level subjects, which are taught over both years, with end-of-course examinations.

These are BTEC Diplomas (equivalent to two A-Levels) and must be chosen in both columns in which they appear.

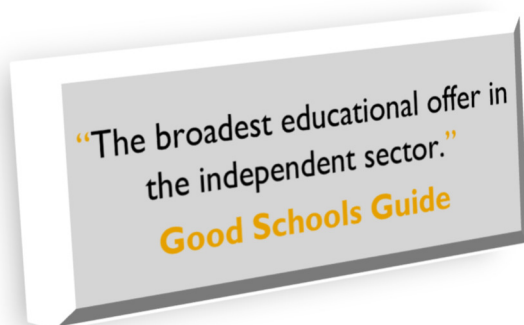
These are BTEC Extended Certificates (equivalent to one A-Level) and can be chosen with either A-Levels or other BTEC subjects.

These are BTEC Extended Diplomas (equivalent to three A-Levels) and must be chosen in all three columns in which the subject appears (both the blue and orange boxes).

How to use the columns

- Aim to choose complementary courses, based on the recommended Course Combinations (page 4) and Subject Pods.
- You must choose subjects in three different columns.
- You cannot choose subjects in the same column.

The Extended Project Qualification is an extra qualification that can only be chosen alongside a normal three-column selection. This should be done so in consultation with the Head of Sixth Form, either when you move from the Lower School or come for an Admissions visit.



Full list of subjects

Our wide range of Sixth Form courses can be combined in different ways to best suit the interests and needs of each student.

A-Levels

- Art & Design
 - **Fine Art** | AQA
 - **Photography** | AQA
- **Economics** | AQA
- **English Literature** | AQA
- **Geography** | AQA
- **History** | AQA
- **History of Art** | AQA
- **Mathematics** | EdExcel
 - **Core Maths (AS-Level)** | AQA
- Modern Foreign Languages
 - **French** | AQA
 - **Spanish** | AQA
- **Religious Studies** | Eduqas
- Sciences
 - **Biology** | AQA
 - **Chemistry** | AQA
 - **Physics** | AQA
 - **Psychology** | AQA
- **Extended Project Qualification** | AQA

BTECs

- **Countryside Management** | Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma, with option for Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma
- **Hospitality** | Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma, with option for Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma
- **Sport** | Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma, with option for Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma

- **3D Design** | Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma
- **Equine Management** | Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma
- **Fashion Design & Production** | Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma
- **Film & TV Visual Effects** | Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma
- **Music** | Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma
- **Performing Arts** | Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma

- **Enterprise & Entrepreneurship** | Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate
- **Games Production** | Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate
- **Music Technology** | Pearson BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma

Art & Design:

Fine Art or Photography

Students can choose from 'Art Craft and Design' and 'Lens and Light-based Media'. The course encourages students to develop their creative practice through the development of practical skills, alongside investigative and analytical work. The different aspects of the course encourage them to learn to understand the role and function of art and design in contemporary life and culture.

Skills & Knowledge

- Exploration of the processes and practices of art and design
- Development of research and critical skills
- Development of strong technical skills
- Aesthetic and cultural awareness
- Creativity and idea development

Assessment

Traditional A-Level with final assessment. Both the AS and the full A-Level are available.

- Personal Investigation = 60% of the A-Level
- Externally-set assignment: Preparatory period + 15hr supervised exam = 40% of the A-Level

University & Careers

- Degrees in various areas of art and design
- Film & Photography
- Graphic Design & Illustration
- Game Design
- 3D Animation or Modelling
- Fashion & Textiles

Economics

Economics is rooted in the study of how people behave and interact with one another. Students study the dynamics between consumers, businesses, governments and the finance markets. They learn to understand how these factors influence employment, prices, international trade and the wealth/poverty divide. The subject draws on high levels of literacy and numeracy and teaches students to synthesise a wide range of types of information.

Skills & Knowledge

- Exploration of the processes that influence financial markets
- Development of analytical and research skills
- Development of strong technical knowledge
- Ability to interrogate technical data
- Information synthesis

Assessment

Traditional A-Level with final assessment. Full A-Level only.

- 3 x 2hr written papers: A mixture of data response and analysis, multiple choice and essay response questions

University & Careers

- Degrees in various areas of economics and politics
- Finance & Banking
- Civil Service
- Law
- Business
- Marketing
- International Relations

English Literature

English Literature is fundamentally concerned with how we think, feel and respond to the world around us. Through the study of a range of texts that span the history of literary production, students learn to see the world in new ways, encounter new ideas, and develop the ability to express themselves in an informed and fluent way. The course encourages wider reading and challenges students to question their preconceptions and cultural assumptions.

Skills & Knowledge

- Exploration of literary texts, genres and ideas
- Development of research and textual analysis skills
- Development of strong technical knowledge
- Aesthetic and creative awareness
- Advanced writing and reading skills

Assessment

- Traditional A-Level with final assessment. Full A-Level only.
- 2 x 2hr15min written exams: One on drama and one on poetry
 - 1 hour exam on prose
 - A 2500-3000 word coursework essay worth 20% of the A-Level

University & Careers

- Degrees in various areas of literature, creative writing and the humanities
- Journalism & Media
- Civil Service & Solitics
- The creative industries
- Business
- Marketing

Geography

Encompasses topics from both the human and the physical environment. The course gives students specialist knowledge and helps them to develop evaluative skills, alongside statistical analysis and technical knowledge. Students will learn about a range of contemporary issues on a global and a local scale, and see how they impact on our physical environment and how we live our lives.

Skills & Knowledge

- Exploration of the processes that shape human and natural environments
- Development of research skills and report writing abilities
- Development of strong technical knowledge
- Awareness of key global issues

Assessment

- Traditional A-Level with final assessment. Full A-Level only.
- 2 x 2hr30mins exams: Comprising 40% each of the A-Level
 - 3000-4000 word coursework: 20% of the A-Level

University & Careers

- Degrees in various areas of geography and environmental studies
- Agriculture and land management
- Sustainability
- Planning
- Property
- Real estate
- Conservation

History

Offers students the opportunity to study the people, events and decisions that have shaped Britain, Europe, and the world. Through interrogation of primary sources and critical materials about different periods in history, students develop an appreciation of the forces that have shaped our world, and the attitudes and beliefs that inform decision making. The course fosters analytical and research skills, as well the ability to write clearly and concisely.

Skills & Knowledge

- Exploration of key periods in British and European history
- Development of research skills and critical thinking
- Development of subject-specific technical knowledge
- Critical and analytical writing skills

Assessment

- Traditional A-Level with final assessment. Full A-Level only.
- 2 x 2hr30min written exams
 - 3000-3500 word historical investigation: Worth 20% of the A-Level

University & Careers

- Degrees in various areas of history and politics
- Historical research and heritage
- Civil Service & Politics
- Business
- Marketing
- Banking & Finance

History of Art

Helps students to understand different cultures and epochs through the study of Western architecture, painting and sculpture. Students are encouraged to develop an understanding of cultural heritage and how it has developed, from the classical period right up to the modern day. The course combines technical knowledge with analytical and interpretative skill development.

Skills & Knowledge

- Exploration of different periods in Western artistic culture
- Development of research and analytical skills
- Development of strong technical knowledge
- Increased awareness of historical, socio-political and cultural contexts

Assessment

- New-style A-Level with final assessment.
Full A-Level only.
- 2 x 3hr exams looking at visual analysis and key themes, and specific art historical periods

University & Careers

- Degrees in various areas of art history and cultural studies
- Conservation, restoration and heritage
- Art dealing and antiques
- Journalism
- Business
- Interior design

Mathematics

Maths is a language all of its own, which can be used to communicate with people all over the world – it is perhaps the only truly universal language. It helps explain almost every aspect of the world around us and underpins some aspect of nearly all other subjects. It also poses questions of its own about the nature of reason and logic, and asks us to consider the true nature of the world around us. It also provides answers to problems and drives the modern world.

Skills & Knowledge

- Exploration of mathematical processes
- Development of logic and process skills
- Development of subject-specific technical knowledge
- Data manipulation skills
- Problem solving

Assessment

Traditional A-Level with final assessment. Full A-Level and AS-Level are available.

- A-Level: 3 x 2hr exams on Pure Mathematics, Statistics, and Mechanics
- AS-Level: 1 x 2hr Pure Mathematics exam, 1 x 1hr50mins Statistics & Mechanics exam

University & Careers

- Degrees in various areas of mathematics and logic
- Engineering
- Construction
- Computer science and programming
- 3D Animation or Modelling
- Music technology and production
- Finance & Banking
- Architecture
- Accountancy

Core Maths

An AS-Level equivalent qualification to support students who want to continue their maths education or who need ongoing maths learning to support their other studies, but who do not wish to pursue a full A-Level. The course focuses on the practical application of maths; including data analysis, personal finance, estimation and statistics. It is designed to support science, vocational or technical subjects that require the direct application of maths skills.

Skills & Knowledge

- Exploration of mathematical processes
- Development of logic and process skills
- Development of applied mathematical skills
- Data manipulation skills
- Finance and statistics skills

Assessment

AS-Level equivalent course delivered over two years with a final exam assessment.

- 2 x 1hr30mins exams with calculators permitted

University & Careers

- Engineering
- Construction
- Computer science and programming
- 3D Animation or Modelling
- Music technology and production
- Finance & Banking
- Architecture
- Accountancy
- Psychology and the sciences

French

A popular choice for linguists who want to continue with a language – France is our nearest neighbour and French is spoken in many parts of the world, including Africa and Canada. The course develops spoken and written language skills alongside a new appreciation of the cultural context within which the language exists; including film, literature and contemporary social issues. Foreign languages are an increasingly valuable commodity in today's world.

Skills & Knowledge

- Exploration of cultural topics and themes
- Development of written and spoken language skills
- Development of technical and grammatical knowledge
- Access new ways of seeing and understanding the world

Assessment

Traditional A-Level with final assessment. Full A-Level and AS-Level are available.

- 1 x 2hr30 Listening, reading, writing and translation paper
- 1 x 2hr Writing paper on a literary text and a film
- 1 x Speaking exam

University & Careers

- Degrees in French language and culture
- International relations and business
- Civil Service
- Foreign Office
- European industry and politics
- Travel and tourism

Spanish

There has never been a better time to study Spanish. Second only to Mandarin Chinese, almost half a billion people speak Spanish. A-Level Spanish helps students develop confidence in the language, as well as building knowledge and awareness of some of the vibrant Spanish speaking cultures around the world. The course addresses technical language issues as well as cultural material such as film, literature and contemporary social issues.

Skills & Knowledge

- Exploration of cultural topics and themes
- Development of written and spoken language skills
- Development of technical and grammatical knowledge
- Access to new ways of seeing and understanding the world

Assessment

Traditional A-Level with final assessment. Full A-Level and AS-Level are available.

- 1 x 2hr30 Listening, reading, writing and translation paper
- 1 x 2hr Writing paper on a literary text and a film
- 1 x Speaking exam

University & Careers

- Degrees in Spanish language and culture
- International relations and business
- Civil Service
- Foreign Office
- European industry and politics
- Travel and tourism

Religious Studies

A hugely important subject in the development of young adults in the diverse and multi-cultural world that we live in. The A-Level course focusses on the philosophy of religion, theology and ethics, and asks students to examine ideas of critical importance that inform their own attitudes and beliefs. The subject cuts to the very root of what it is to be human, and irrespective of personal beliefs, delves into the deepest questions humanity has to ask.

Skills & Knowledge

- Exploration of the issues surrounding religious belief and ethical practice
- Development of research and analytical skills
- Development of subject-specific technical knowledge
- Critical thinking and debating skills

Assessment

Traditional A-Level with final assessment. Full A-Level only.

- 3 x 2hr essay-based exams, each equally weighted; covering Christian Theology, Philosophy of Religion, and Religion & Ethics.

University & Careers

- Degrees in philosophy, religion and ethics, as well as the broader humanities
- Journalism & Media
- Governance & Politics
- Medicine and nursing
- Business
- Marketing

Biology

Why does disease spread across the world and how do we stop it? How did humans evolve from monkeys? Why did I inherit my father's ears but not his nose? If you have ever pondered these questions then you are already thinking like a biologist. Biology is the study of living things and with issues such as GM technology and climate change becoming increasingly prominent, there has never been a better time to study it.

Skills & Knowledge

- Exploration of biological processes and systems
- Knowledge and use of key apparatus and practical techniques
- Development of analytical and evaluative skills
- Subject specific technical knowledge
- Mathematical analysis skills

Assessment

- Traditional A-Level with final assessment. Full A-Level only.
- 3 x 2hr written exams looking at biological molecules, cell structure and organisation, and genetics
 - 12 practical investigations

University & Careers

- Degrees in various areas of biology, biochemistry and biomedical studies
- Medicine and dentistry
- Sports and physiotherapy
- Environmental and forensic science
- Agriculture and equine industries

Chemistry

Chemistry lies at the heart of the modern world; from the way that we produce and process our food, to the development of new materials, to the manufacture of the drugs that prolong our lives. It is chemistry that will help us to solve the problems facing all of our lives; from global warming to material shortages. The study of this subject at A-Level provides students not only with a glimpse into the underpinnings of the modern work, but also gives them valuable laboratory and analytical skills.

Skills & Knowledge

- Exploration of organic, inorganic and physical Chemistry.
- Knowledge and use of key apparatus and practical techniques
- Development of analytical and evaluative skills
- Subject specific technical knowledge
- Mathematical analysis skills

Assessment

Traditional A-Level with final assessment. Full A-Level only.

- 3 x 2 hour written exams looking at organic, inorganic and physical chemistry, and practical experiment knowledge

University & Careers

- Degrees in various areas of chemistry, biomedicine and pharmacology
- Engineering and manufacturing
- Material and energy technology
- Food Science and Production
- Pharmacy

Physics

Physics is a subject of enormous breadth; from the macroscopic forces that underpin the lifecycles of stars and galaxies, to the microscopic ones which inform atoms and quantum particles. Physics underpins all other sciences and provides explanations for why the world and the universe work the way they do. Students get to explore these astonishing phenomena, as well as how our understanding of physics can be used in the everyday world.

Skills & Knowledge

- Exploration of wave, particle and field mechanics, along with astrophysics and thermo-nuclear physics
- Knowledge and use of key apparatus and practical techniques
- Development of analytical and evaluative skills
- Subject-specific technical knowledge
- Mathematical analysis skills

Assessment

Traditional A-Level with final assessment. Full A-Level only.

- 3 x 2hr written exams looking at wave-particle mechanics, thermal and nuclear physics, and practical applications. The exams will also test practical knowledge and data analysis.

University & Careers

- Degrees in various areas of physics, theoretical physics and engineering
- Engineering and manufacturing
- Material and energy technology
- Computing and electronics
- Architecture
- Game design

Psychology

Psychology investigates the operation of our minds; considering how we think, what informs our decision-making processes, and how our mental make-up shapes our perception of the world. The course introduces students to the scientific theories and methods that underpin the subject, and allows them to learn about both the social and biological forces that shape our thoughts and emotions.

Skills & Knowledge

- Exploration of memory, attachment functions, cognition and perception, and biopsychology
- Knowledge and use of key theories and research techniques
- Development of analytical and evaluative skills
- Subject-specific technical knowledge
- Mathematical analysis skills

Assessment

- Traditional A-Level with final assessment. Full A-Level only.
- 3 x 2hr written exams comprising short answer questions and extended written responses

University & Careers

- Degrees in various areas of psychology and neuroscience
- Sports coaching and management
- Marketing
- Human Resources
- Law
- Business

Extended Project Qualification (EPQ)

The EPQ is a research project that can be tailored to suit individual interests and expertise. Equivalent to half an A-Level, it allows students to develop their passions and learn a range of transferable research and project management skills. The project must be driven by the student and, rather than being actively taught, it is supported two hours a week by research seminars. Work can be extended writing or creative projects, or scientific explorations.

Skills & Knowledge

- Advanced research skills
- Evaluative and interpretative skills
- Problem solving and idea development
- Extended specialist knowledge of project topic
- Project management skills
- High degree of independent learning

Assessment

Holistic assessment of final project portfolio to include:

- Evidence of planning and carrying out research
- Evidence of project development
- Completed final project
- Presentation of project to a non-specialist audience

University & Careers

- Relevant to all academic degree courses
- Provides excellent experience of University-style learning and additional credit for University applications
- Project management skills, which complement vocational pathways
- Demonstrates independence and intellectual curiosity

Countryside Management

The ideal subject for study in a rural environment, such as that found in Dorset. The course takes an informed and practical approach to learning; giving students the opportunity to gain practical skills alongside theoretical knowledge of the issues facing the rural economy. From the use of firearms in land-based industries, to greenwood crafts, to conservation management, this is a course which is plugged directly into the countryside around us.

Skills & Knowledge

- Exploration of the issues and knowledge that inform the land-based industries
- Development of key practical skills
- Development of strong subject-based knowledge
- Development of time management skills

Assessment

- Ongoing practical and unit based assessments carried out over the full two years of study to produce a final portfolio for submission.
- Combination of practical, work-based assessment, with research and technical understanding, and work experience
 - 2 x externally assessed exams
 - 1 x externally assessed project

University & Careers

- Degrees in various areas of countryside management and agriculture
- Agriculture and land management
- Conservation and ecology
- Estate management
- Game-keeping
- Rural property management

Hospitality

Hospitality is one of the major growth industries both in the UK and internationally, having grown by 14% since 2004. This course equips students with the skills they will need to be successful in all areas of this complex and exciting industry. From business awareness, to cooking skills, to event management skills; students will be expected to hone their skills through practical assignments and theoretical understanding. Students also get the opportunity to work on major school events.

Skills & Knowledge

- Exploration of the issues and knowledge that inform the hospitality and events industry
- Development of key practical skills
- Development of strong subject-based knowledge
- Development of time management skills

Assessment

- Ongoing practical and unit based assessments carried out over the full two years of study to produce a final portfolio for submission.
- Combination of practical, work-based assessment, with research and technical understanding

University & Careers

- Degrees in various areas of hospitality, tourism and event management
- Event management and planning
- Cheffing and the culinary arts
- Hotel management
- Tourism

Sport

This course puts the theory behind what happens on the pitch, allowing students to understand the requirements of training and development, and to put them into practice. The course looks at coaching and development, as well as sporting tactics and leadership. It also gives students valuable skills to train as coaches and fitness professionals. Alongside this, the course helps students to understand the issues facing sport, as well as how to manage risk.

Skills & Knowledge

- Exploration of the issues and knowledge that inform sport and the sports industry
- Development of key practical skills
- Development of strong subject-based knowledge
- Development of time management skills

Assessment

- Ongoing practical and unit based assessments carried out over the full two years of study to produce a final portfolio for submission.
- Combination of practical assessment, technical skills development, and theoretical work
 - 45% external assessment, including a written exam

University & Careers

- Degrees in various areas of sports coaching and management
- Coaching and fitness training
- Sports business and management
- Sports therapy
- Professional sport
- Outdoor and sports education

3D Design

Design is essential! It shapes almost every aspect of the world we live in. Studying Design and Technology allows students to develop their creative and aesthetic awareness, alongside allowing them to gain skills and knowledge about manufacturing processes and materials. The course combines practical workshop time with research and theoretical understanding.

Skills & Knowledge

- Exploration of the processes and practices of design and manufacturing
- Development of research skills and market awareness
- Development of strong technical skills
- Aesthetic and creative awareness
- Problem solving

Assessment

- Ongoing practical and unit based assessments carried out over the full two years of study to produce a final portfolio for submission.
- Combination of practical, work-based assessment, technical skills development, and theoretical work
 - 33% external assessment

University & Careers

- Degrees in various areas of design and product development
- Engineering
- Construction
- Graphic Design
- Marketing
- 3D Animation or Modelling
- Mechanisation

Equine Management: Equitation or Yard Management

This course gives students the opportunity to develop the practical and theoretical knowledge needed to start a career in the equine industry. The course exposes students to issues surrounding equine health and care, physiology and behaviour, the racing industry and equine business. **Equitation** allows students to focus on riding, competition, and horse skills. **Yard Management** focuses on the running of a successful yard or equine business and does not require riding or a horse.

Skills & Knowledge	Assessment	University & Careers
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exploration of the issues and knowledge that inform the equine industry and animal training and welfare • Development of key practical skills • Development of strong subject based knowledge • Development of time management skills 	<p>Ongoing practical and unit based assessments carried out over the full two years of study to produce a final portfolio for submission.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Combination of practical, work-based assessment, with research and technical understanding, and work experience • 1x externally assessed exam • 1x externally assessed project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Degrees in various areas of equine management and care • Animal care and nutrition • The racing industry • Stud and stable management • Competition and animal training

Fashion Design & Production

Fashion finds its way into almost every aspect of our lives and becomes a key part of our identity. From the pure expression of haute couture to the functionality of high street brands, it offers the opportunity for creativity and innovation. Studying Fashion Design allows students to develop their creative and aesthetic awareness and to gain the skills needed to create fashion products. The course combines practical workshop time with research and theoretical understanding.

Skills & Knowledge

- Exploration of the processes and practices of design and fashion production
- Development of research skills and market awareness
- Development of strong technical skills
- Aesthetic and creative awareness
- Problem solving

Assessment

- Ongoing practical and unit based assessments carried out over the full two years of study to produce a final portfolio for submission.
- Combination of practical, work-based assessment, technical skills development, and theoretical work
 - 33% external assessment

University & Careers

- Degrees in various areas of fashion design and marketing
- Brand Management
- Graphic Design
- Costume Design
- Fashion Production

Film & TV Visual Effects

Film & TV Visual Effects offers students the opportunity to immerse themselves in the world of film editing, visual effects and media production. The digital arts and creative industries are one of the fastest growing sectors in the UK and beyond. This course prepares students with the skills and knowledge to enter this thriving and dynamic industry. Students will get the opportunity to design and create various film and VFX products as well as developing industry knowhow.

Skills & Knowledge

- Exploration of the issues and knowledge that inform the digital industries
- Development of key practical skills
- Development of strong subject based knowledge
- Development of time management skills

Assessment

- Ongoing practical and unit based assessments carried out over the full two years of study to produce a final portfolio for submission.
- Combination of practical assessment, technical skills development, and theoretical work
 - 33% external assessment

University & Careers

- Degrees in various areas of media production and digital design
- Media
- Advertising & Marketing
- Broadcast journalism
- Computer game design
- Multimedia
- TV and Film industry

Music

This course offers students the opportunity to learn about the music industry, as well as honing their skills as a performer. Students will be expected to develop their performance skills through regular recitals and concerts, as well as gaining an awareness of the skills and knowledge required by professional musicians. The course includes practical work on composition and improvisation, and builds knowledge of promotion and the broader industry.

Skills & Knowledge

- Exploration of the issues and knowledge that inform professional music practice
- Development of key practical skills
- Development of strong subject-based knowledge
- Development of time management skills

Assessment

- Ongoing practical and unit based assessments carried out over the full two years of study to produce a final portfolio for submission.
- Combination of practical assessment, technical skills development, and theoretical work
 - 46% external assessment

University & Careers

- Degrees in various areas of music performance, production and management
- Professional musicianship
- Music management
- Music production
- Music and entertainment business

Performing Arts

This is a course for actors. It helps students to develop their acting skills in a directly practical way in preparation for a career treading the boards. The course offers students the opportunity to investigate and take part in a wide range of performance areas; including musical theatre, theatre for children, and film and TV acting. Students are also equipped with the knowledge they need to be successful in the industry, from how to be successful at audition, to marketing and promotion.

Skills & Knowledge

- Exploration of the issues and knowledge that inform the performing arts
- Development of key practical skills
- Development of strong subject-based knowledge
- Development of time management skills

Assessment

- Ongoing practical and unit based assessments carried out over the full two years of study to produce a final portfolio for submission.
- Combination of practical assessment, technical skills development, and theoretical work
 - 46% external assessment

University & Careers

- Degrees in various areas of acting and performance
- Professional actor
- Performance and technical support
- Directing and production
- Film, theatre and TV business

Enterprise & Entrepreneurship

Britain has an enviable record in producing world-beating entrepreneurs. To be successful in business you need creativity, tenacity, business acumen, and the ability to plan and implement well thought-out strategies. This course provides students with these skills, as well as offering them the opportunity to start and run their own business. In an increasingly competitive world this course will equip students with the skills they need to be successful in business.

Skills & Knowledge

- Exploration of the issues and knowledge that inform business, marketing, and financial planning
- Development of key practical skills
- Development of strong subject-based knowledge
- Development of time management skills

Assessment

- Ongoing practical and unit based assessments carried out over the full two years of study to produce a final portfolio for submission.
- Combination of practical, work-based assessment, technical skills development, and theoretical work
 - 58% external assessment, including a 2hr written exam

University & Careers

- Degrees in various areas of business management and enterprise
- Business
- Marketing
- Entrepreneurship and self-employment
- Brand creation and development
- Business and management strategy

Games Production

The games industry is one of the most powerful growth areas in the modern economy, with a market value that exceeds the film and music industries combined. Alongside the games entertainment industry, more and more companies are using gamification technologies to increase customer immersion in their brands. This course teaches students the theoretical underpinnings of games and ludology, as well as equipping them with a range of industry-specific technical skills.

Skills & Knowledge

- Exploration of the issues and knowledge that inform the digital and games industries
- Development of key practical skills
- Development of strong subject-based knowledge
- Development of time management skills

Assessment

- Ongoing practical and unit based assessments carried out over the full two years of study to produce a final portfolio for submission.
- Combination of practical, work-based assessment, with research and technical understanding.
 - 33% external assessment

University & Careers

- Degrees in various areas of games or application design
- Digital design and user-interface development
- Digital media and technology
- Management and development of digital businesses

Music Technology

Music technology gives students the skills and knowledge they need to thrive in the music industry. Students develop their practical and aural discrimination skills, as well as learning a range of technical skills necessary for recording and creating music. Students learn to use mixing and production software, as well as sequencers and virtual synthesizers. There is also the opportunity to learn about different styles of music and to understand how they work.

Skills & Knowledge

- Exploration of the processes and practices of music recording and production
- Knowledge of music styles and genres
- Development of subject-specific technical skills
- Aesthetic and creative awareness

Assessment

- Ongoing practical and unit based assessments carried out over the full two years of study to produce a final portfolio for submission. Can be studied alongside the Music BTEC level 3 National Diploma.
- Combination of practical, work-based assessment, with research and technical understanding

University & Careers

- Degrees in various areas of music technology and production
- Sound Engineering
- Music and performance venue technical support
- Recording and sound for film and television