

ART

Why should I study Art?

You should study A-level Art if you have ideas, imagination and love developing and making artworks using a range of media. You may be considering a future career in the creative industries. The natural progression route is to a one-year Foundation Course in Art and Design, but many A-level Art students apply and are accepted at leading B.A. Degree courses both within and outside of London. A-level Art could lead on to any number of exciting careers including architecture, design, exhibition curator, artist, art historian, games designer, advertising art director, art buyer, graphic designer, clothing/textile technologist, commercial artist, art director for theatre/television/film or virtual reality designer.

Bolingbroke is best for Art because..

We will offer an A-level which is one of the most exciting, innovative and creative you could take anywhere. It will be led by expert and passionate teachers who are committed to preparing students for both vocational and commercial careers and view art and design as being a really viable career opportunity. All teachers within the department work together to encourage their students to experiment with media, develop and refine their ideas and to push their own boundaries.

The department is able to provide students with a sophisticated level of physical resources and equipment, including state of the art laser cutting technology, glass and ceramic kilns, mac books for digital artwork, a fully equipped product design workshop and a specialist

art library. Teachers are very experienced in supporting pupils in the preparation of art portfolios for university applications.

What will I study?

Students will be introduced to a variety of experiences exploring a wide range of fine art media, techniques and processes including:

- Painting
- Drawing
- Sculpture
- Textiles
- Photography
- Applied art
- Printmaking
- Digital art or animation

Drawing is a fundamental topic which is covered throughout with an experimental approach being taken. It may be possible for you to take an additional University of the Arts Award in drawing alongside your A level studies to boost your portfolio. You will study a range of artists' work from a variety of different cultural and historical contexts, and have the opportunity to work with visiting artists and lecturers. You will be encouraged to research your own topics that interest you in order to create technically skilful and meaningful work. The AQA qualification is made up of 60% coursework and 40% final practical exam.

Additional activities within this subject

- Gallery visits
- Artist workshops

- Research trips
- Practical workshops
- Written analysis
- Entering competitions
- Exhibiting own work



What our students say

"I have found studying art a lot of fun and I have overcome many of my technical boundaries. It makes me think about the world around me."

Class of 2019 student