

Level 2 Extended Certificate in Art and Design Skills

Ofsted Outstanding Provider

Course Level: Level 2 | **Campus: Stafford** | **Subject Type: Creative Arts, Film & Media**

Course Overview:

Develop your artistic talents with our Level 2 Extended Certificate in Art and Design Skills. Explore a variety of mediums and techniques, from drawing and painting to digital design and sculpture. Gain hands-on experience in expressing your creativity through diverse projects. This comprehensive program prepares you for further studies or entry-level positions in the art and design industry. Whether you dream of becoming an illustrator, graphic designer, or fine artist, this certificate is your pathway to success in the dynamic world of art and design.

What's Covered:

The course explores a range of creative specialisms, including traditional art, craft and design subjects, along with learning how to create artwork through digital media. The development of drawing, 3D, compositional and presentation skills; which are important to any creative student, are fundamental. During the year you will develop a skills portfolio that consists of fine art, design, print, 3D and graphics based projects, and have the opportunity to select and apply your chosen skills in personal creative projects.

As well as developing your creative skills, you will learn about careers within the creative industries and be supported to help make decisions about your future and progression options. The course is full time and takes one year to complete.

To achieve the BTEC Level 2 Diploma in Art and Design Skills you need to obtain a Pass or above in all coursework units, and demonstrate a positive approach to learning.

You will continue to improve your maths and/or English skills in structured lessons alongside your course and maths and English will also be integrated into your main course programme.

100%

pass rate

75%

achieved MM+

Entry Requirements:

You will have three GCSEs at grade 3 or above plus a good portfolio. One of the GCSE's must include an art & design based subject. This can include Art & Design, Photography, Graphics, Textiles, Product Design or BTEC Craft. However, if you have a keen interest in the subject and commitment to succeed, your entry requirements will be discussed at your course discussion appointment.

If you do not have a minimum GCSE grade 4 for Maths / English you would study these as a part of your timetabled study programme. These structured weekly sessions will help you to improve your skills in these vital subject/s. In addition Maths and English development is integrated into practical course sessions and assignments.

Assessment Information:

You are continuously assessed throughout the course both formally and informally. Assessments take the form of an individual display of work, which is assessed and evaluated by the staff who teach you. The results are available for discussion and inform how you might best progress on the course. Your overall qualification is designated a Pass, Merit or Distinction.

Fees and Financial Support:

This course is free for anyone aged 16 – 18.

College Maintenance Allowance (CMA):

Anyone with a gross household income under £30,000 can receive financial support to cover college related costs such as transport, meals, course equipment and uniform. Bursary support is based on individual circumstances and will be allocated to best suit your individual needs. A range of other financial support is available depending on your personal circumstances. For more details visit nscg.ac.uk/finance

Progression:
Full, successful completion of the course can lead on to a Level 3 BTEC Extended Diploma in Art and Design, Graphics, Fashion, Games, Animation, Media or Photography. You should also have passed a GCSE in English or Maths at 4 or above if you are resitting one or both of these crucial subjects. The course also enables you to produce a folio of 2D or digital work, to support direct applications to employers.

What else do I need to know?
We will provide you with basic art and design materials such as paper, pencils and charcoal however you will be given an additional materials list which will be needed to complete the course. Students are expected to work independently at times as part of their programmes, both inside and outside college. All students are expected to undertake work experience in a relevant area as part of their programmes.
On successful completion of the programme you will receive a diploma in Art and Design.

How do I find out more?

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