AQA A-Level Fine Art

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Department Information
The Department consists of 2 large Art teaching rooms. There is also an A level room/3D/ ceramic room where students have their own working space which they can use during lessons and their own time. There is a new gallery space which is continually used to display their current work in progress. Students have the opportunity to display their work in a public exhibition in February.

Why study this course?
Fine Art offers opportunities to use your creativity and express yourself through a variety of media. It is about looking, learning, thinking, communicating and developing your awareness of the visual world. It will enable you to work independently and explore work by other artists to develop your own personal and imaginative work.

Aims of the course
Fine Art is about developing your understanding of the visual world, learning practical skills and responding to ideas and issues in ways that are personal to you. You will develop an independent, enquiring and creative mind and skills in a variety of different media including drawing, painting, printing, photography, 3D, mixed media, photography.

How am I assessed?
A Level consists of 2 components:

Component 1- Students are internally assessed at specific points throughout Component 1- Personal Investigation. There is a 15 hour exam in December to prepare them for the externally set exam where students produce a final response.

Component 2- Each student is asked to respond to a given theme set by the exam board in his/her own personal way. Students are given a minimum of 6 weeks to plan a final piece to be executed within the timed exam (15 hrs).

All work is assessed and moderated internally throughout the year before the Exam Board then moderates both Components after the final exam.

Where does this course lead?
Access to Art Foundation and Art based degrees.

Artist, designer, illustrator, animator, graphic artist, fashion illustration, architect, tattoo artist, teacher, art therapist, theatre design. Industries and companies recognise the importance of students who have studied the Arts which demonstrate a creative, imaginative, independent and enquiring mind.