

Examination Board: OCR Website address: [www.ocr.org.uk](http://www.ocr.org.uk)

A Level Units	% of A Level
Component One - Personal Investigation	(120 marks) 60% of total
Component Two: 15 hour exam - Controlled Assignment	(80 marks) 40% of total A Level

## Studying the Subject

This exciting and challenging course encourages students to build on the artistic skills, knowledge, and understanding acquired at GCSE. Through a series of practical projects, students will develop their intellectual, imaginative, and creative powers. They will demonstrate their ability and aesthetic understanding through drawing, painting, printmaking, alternative media and critical analysis.

## Future Proof

Many transferable skills are cultivated during the course: critical understanding, independence, problem-solving, good communication and time management. Students may progress from A Level Fine Art to an Art and Design Foundation course, or a degree course in a specialised field of Art and Design, Product Design, fashion, architecture and many more. Alternatively, Fine Art A Level is recognised by universities for entry to a degree course in a wide range of disciplines.

## Subject Specific Entry Requirements:

Students should have achieved a minimum of Grade 6 or equivalent in Art or an Art-related subject at GCSE.

High levels of motivation and creativity are essential and students are expected to undertake a considerable amount of independent study.

## Enrichment Opportunities:

Trips and visits to selective galleries. Competitions.

## If interested in this subject find out more by:

### Reading:

The Design Student's Handbook, Your Essential Guide to Course, Context and Career, J. Bartholomew & S. Rutherford. ISBN: 978-1-4082-2028-3

Researching into the next steps – Foundation Courses: (see following websites and video links)

### Visiting/browsing websites:

<http://www.sgscol.ac.uk/CourseDetail-information.aspx?Campus=stroud&Department=stroudart&Course=Fd-Dip-Art-Design&Code>

<http://cardiff-school-of-art-and-design.org/courses/>

<http://www.kingston.ac.uk/undergraduate-course/art-design-foundation-diploma/>

<http://www.arts.ac.uk/csm/courses/foundation/>  
University of the Arts, London: Central Saint Martins.

### Watching videos:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SuwWr5EFymo> Foundation Diploma in Art and Design Portfolio showcase 1.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K\\_rFxnBp4Lc](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K_rFxnBp4Lc)



Foundation Diploma in Art and Design Portfolio showcase 2

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QGEZW72rcz4> Kingston University – Portfolio – How to get on the course

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aIW7CO99TWU> City & Guilds of London, Art and Design Foundation Course

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OBTbJj5-wMU> Coleg Sir Gâr Foundation Art & Design Exhibition 2013 Cardiff Metropolitan

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wOaxVbmqdM> Foundation Studies, Art, Design and Media, University of South Wales